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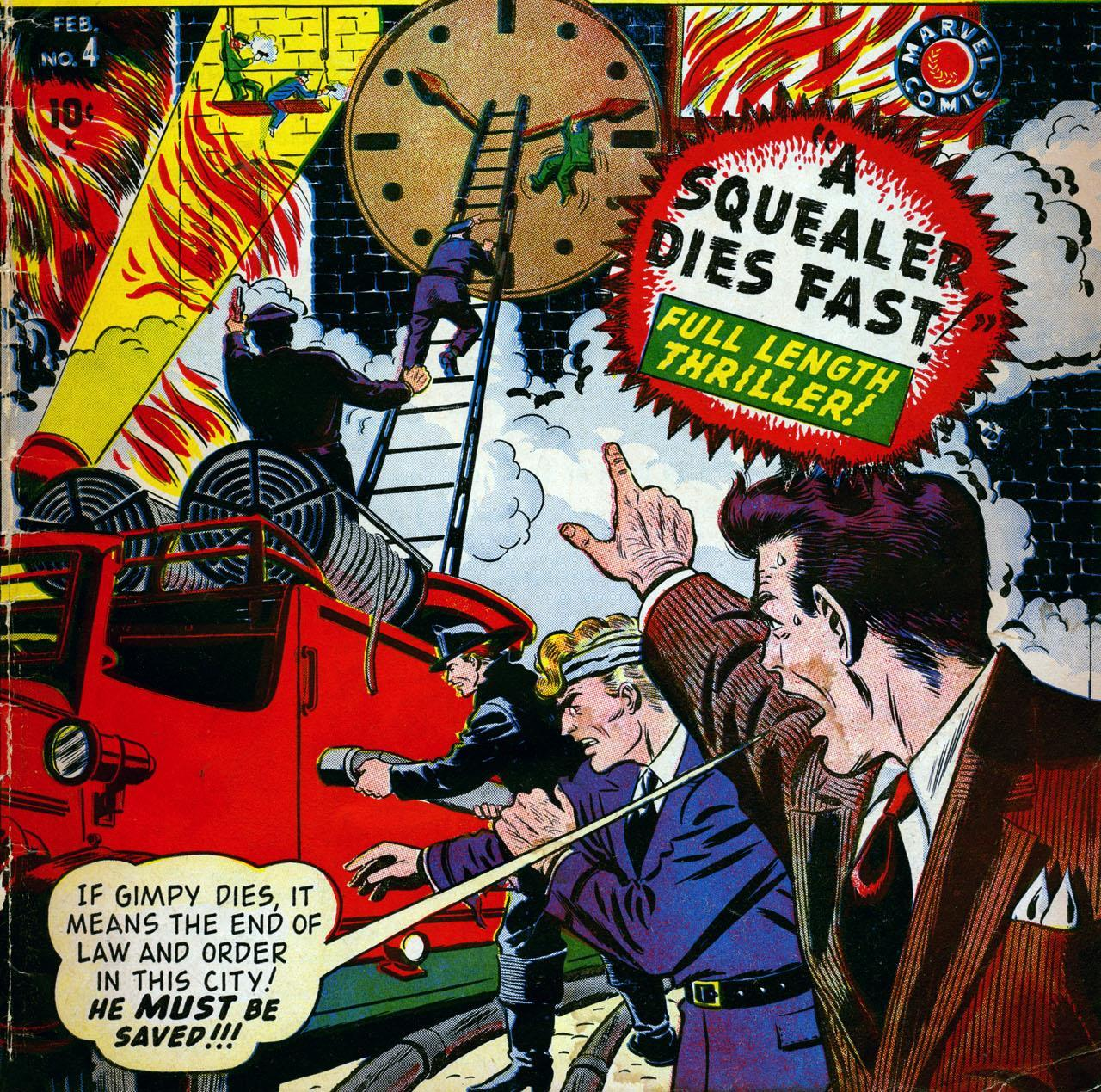
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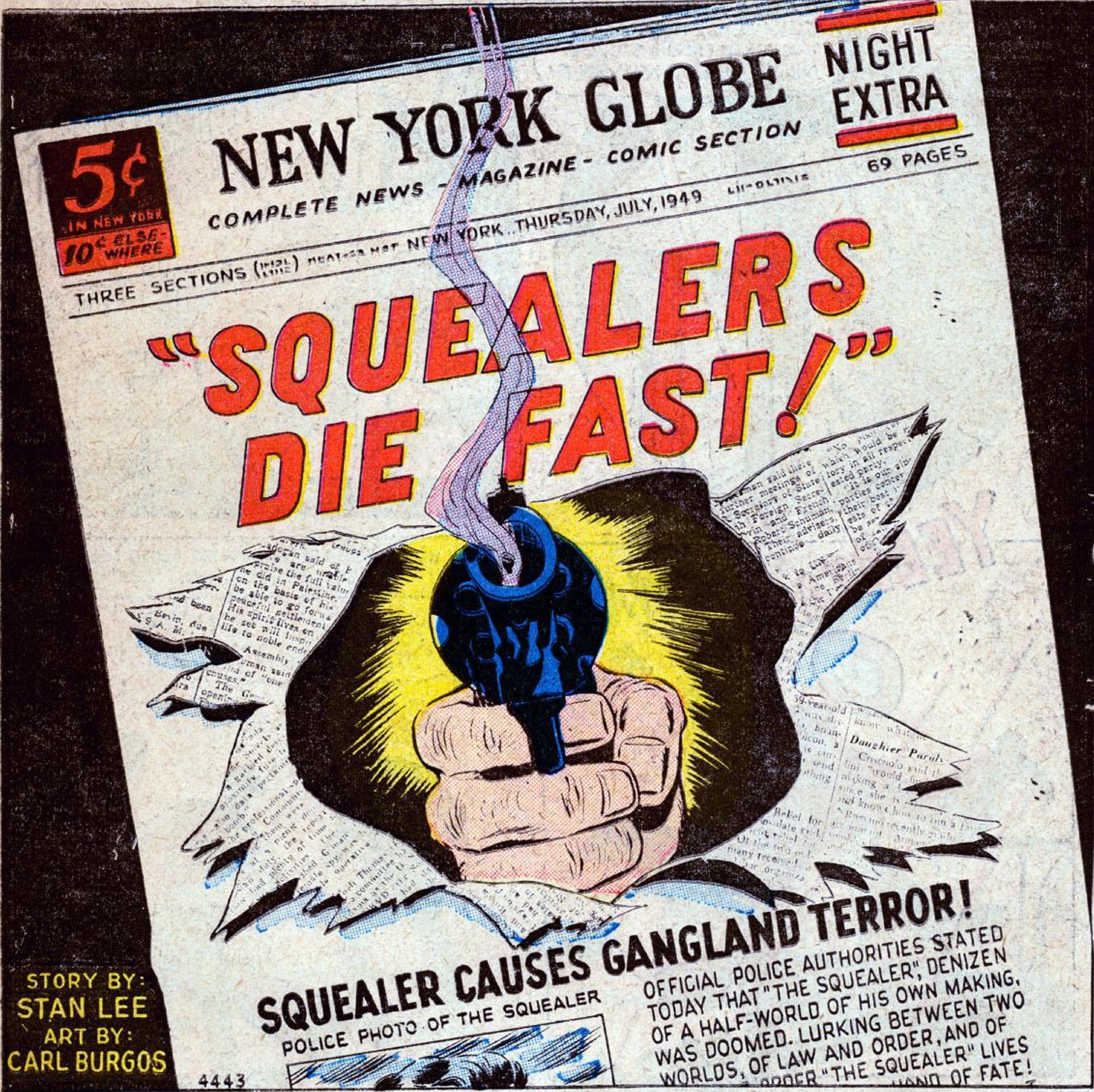
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"SQUEALERS DIE FAST!"
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POLICE PHOTO OF THE SQUEALER
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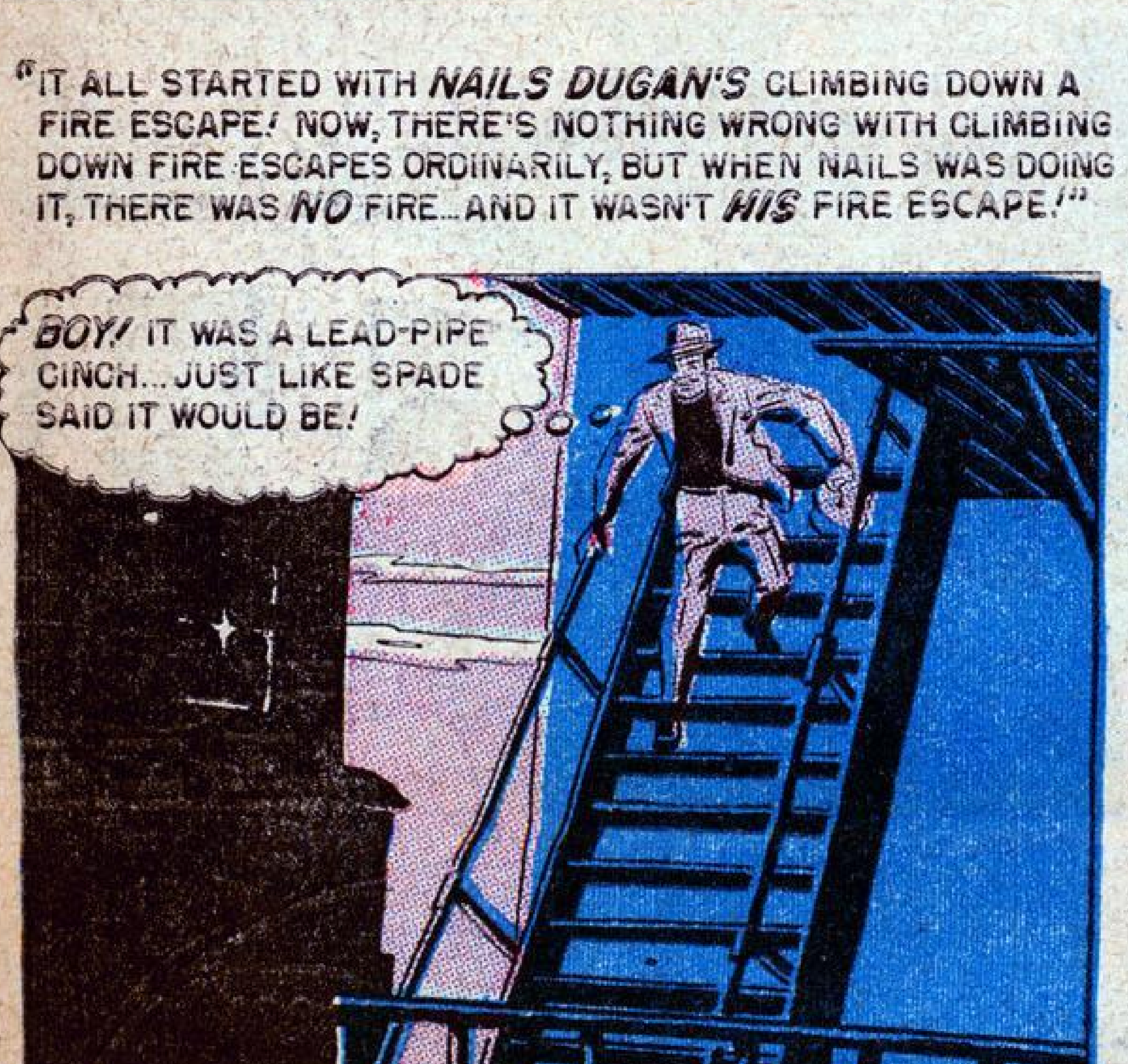
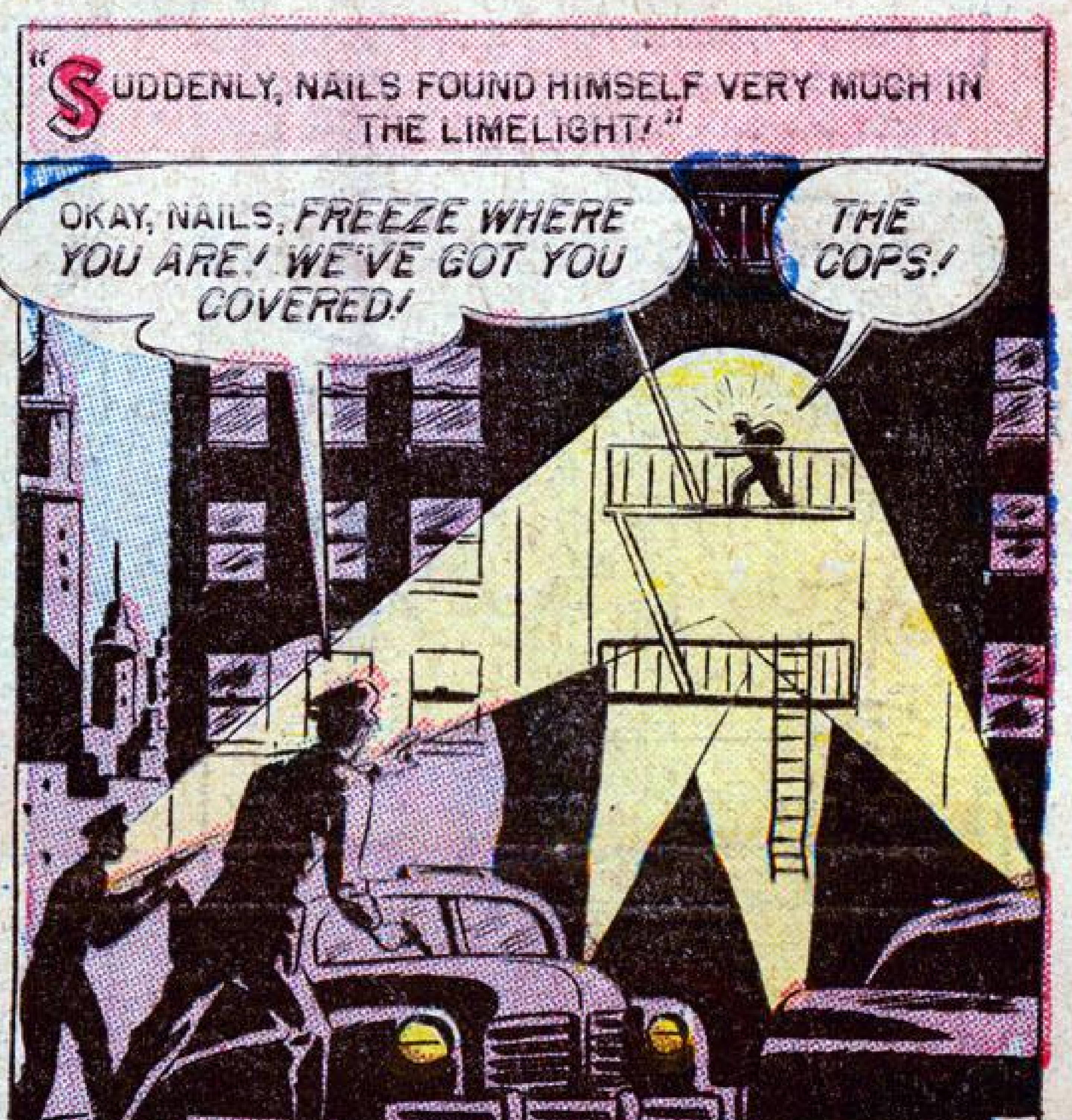
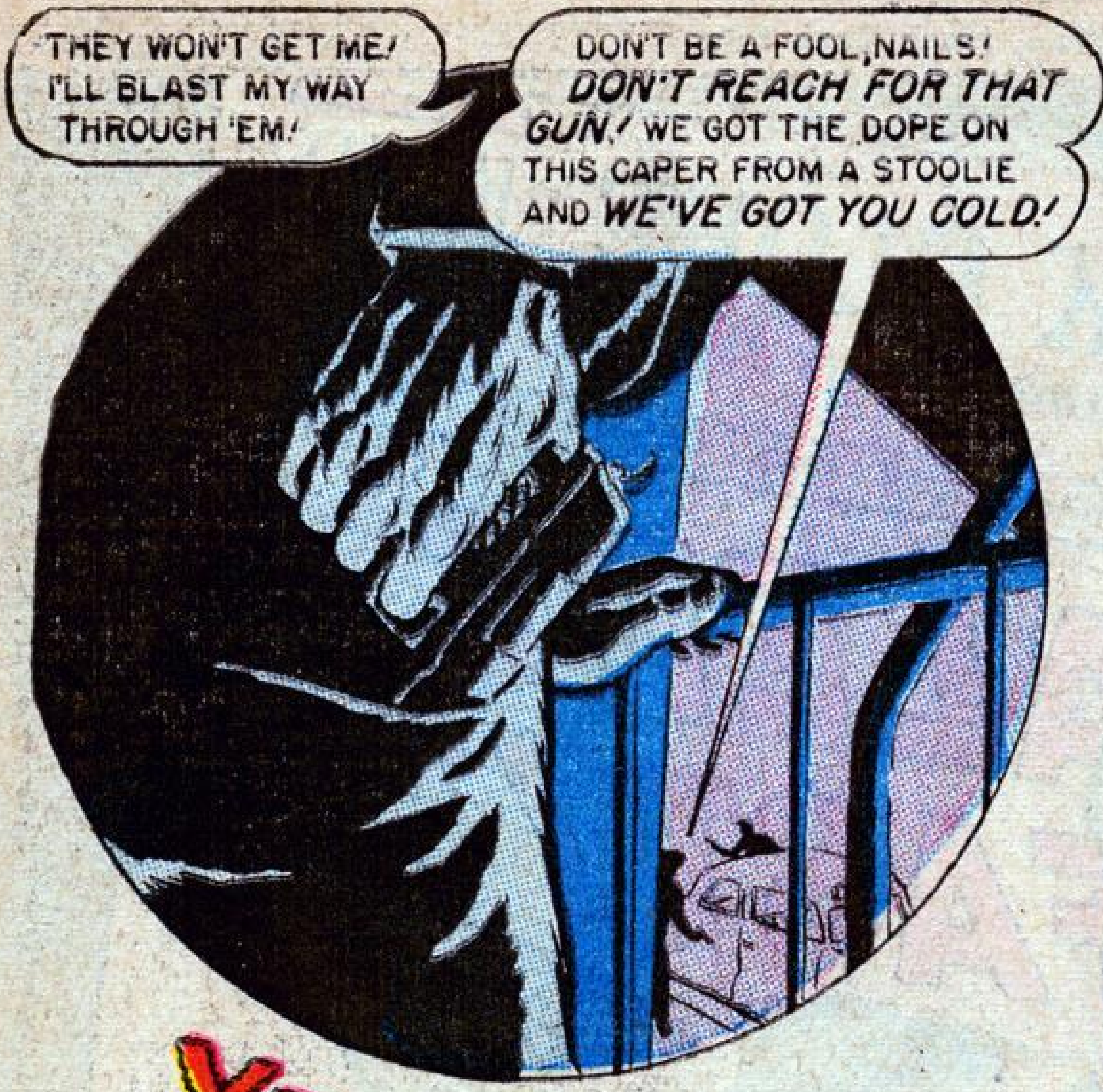
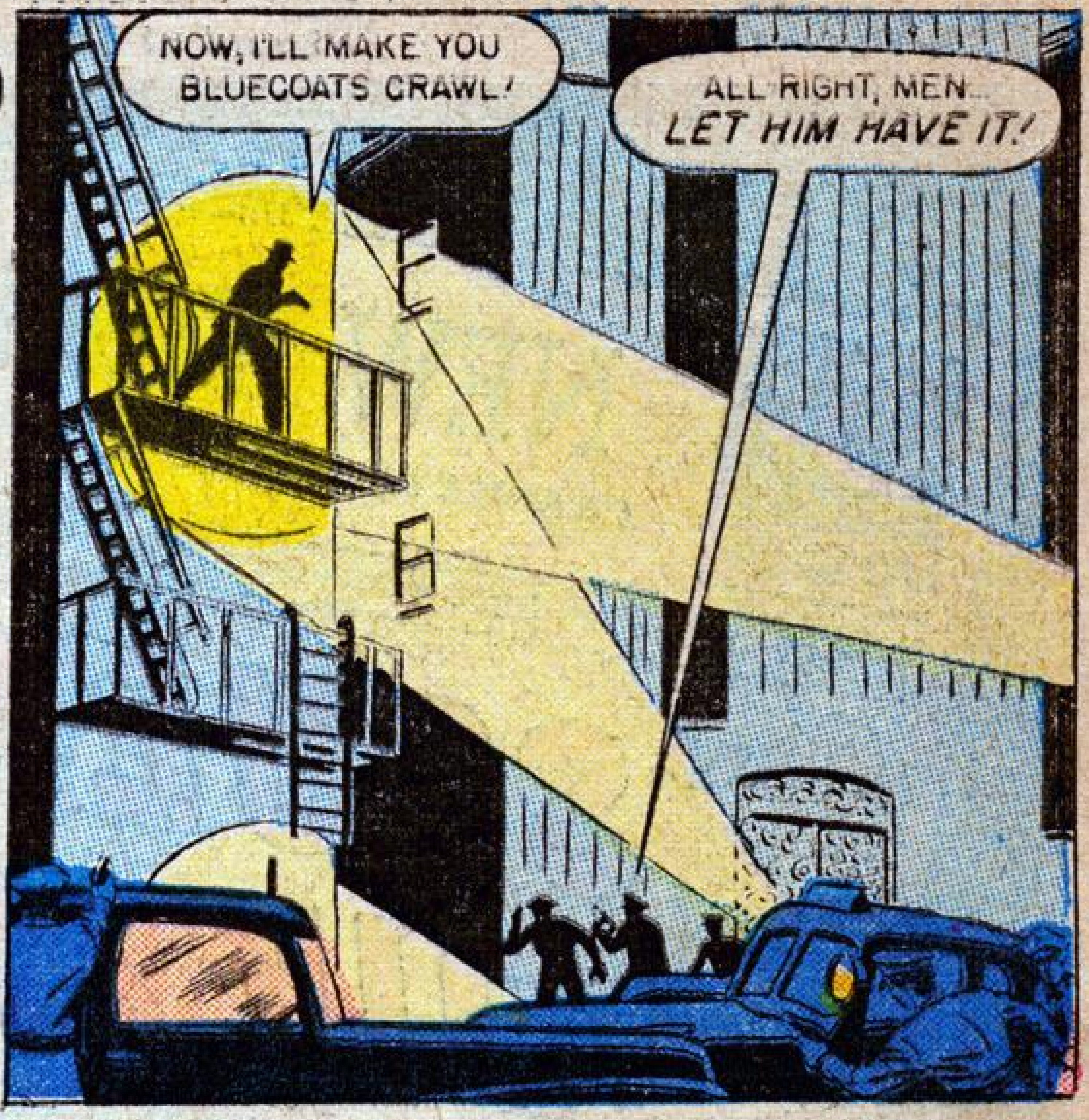
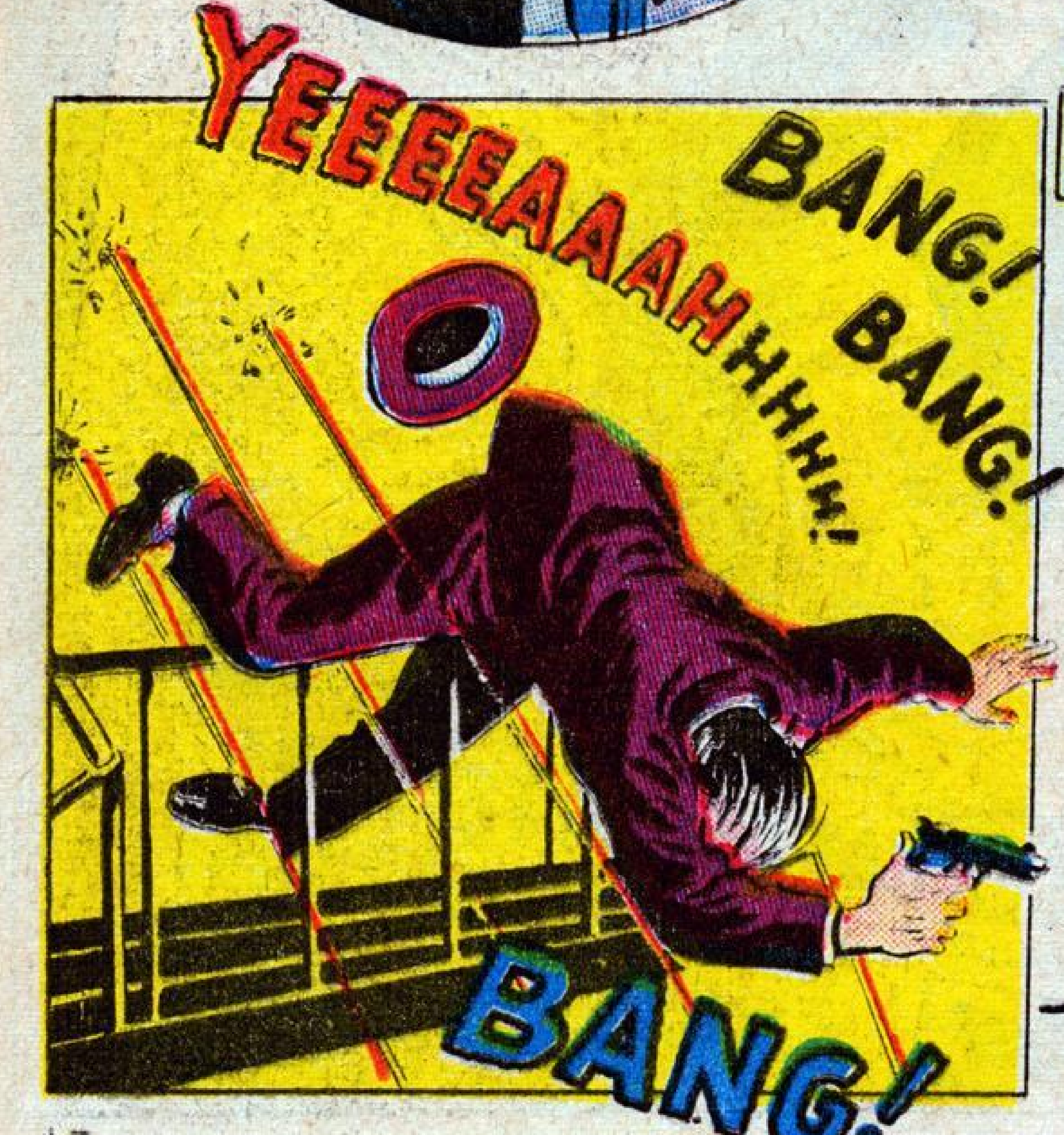
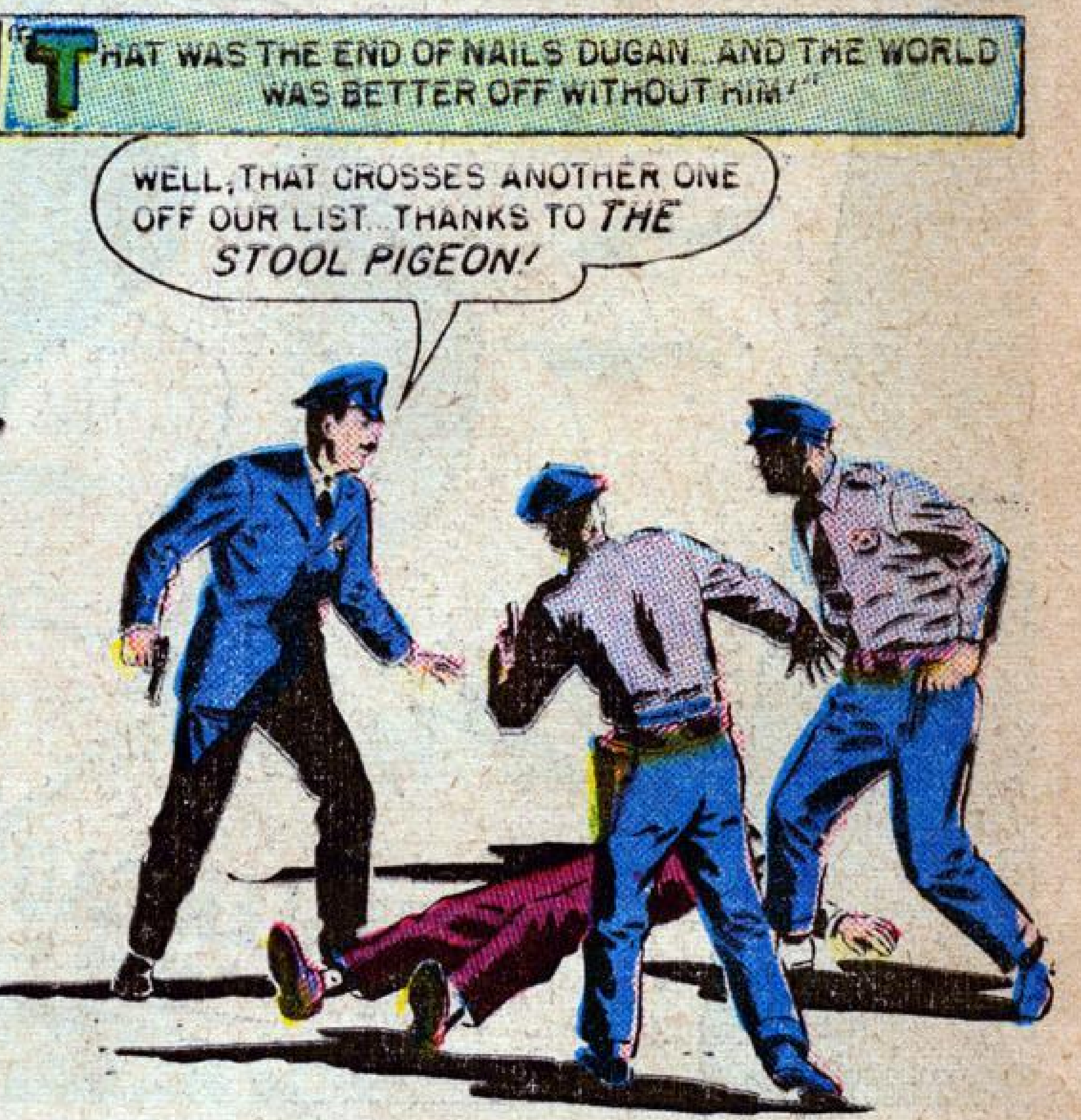

"IT ALL STARTED WITH NAILS DUGAN'S CLIMBING DOWN A FIRE ESCAPE! NOW, THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH CLIMBING DOWN FIRE ESCAPES ORDINARILY, BUT WHEN NAILS WAS DOING IT, THERE WAS NO FIRE...AND IT WASN'T HIS FIRE ESCAPE!"
BOY! IT WAS A LEAD-PIPE CINCH...JUST LIKE SPADE SAID IT WOULD BE!


"SUDDENLY, NAILS FOUND HIMSELF VERY MUCH IN THE LIMELIGHT!"
OKAY, NAILS, FREEZE WHERE YOU ARE! WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED!
THE COPS!

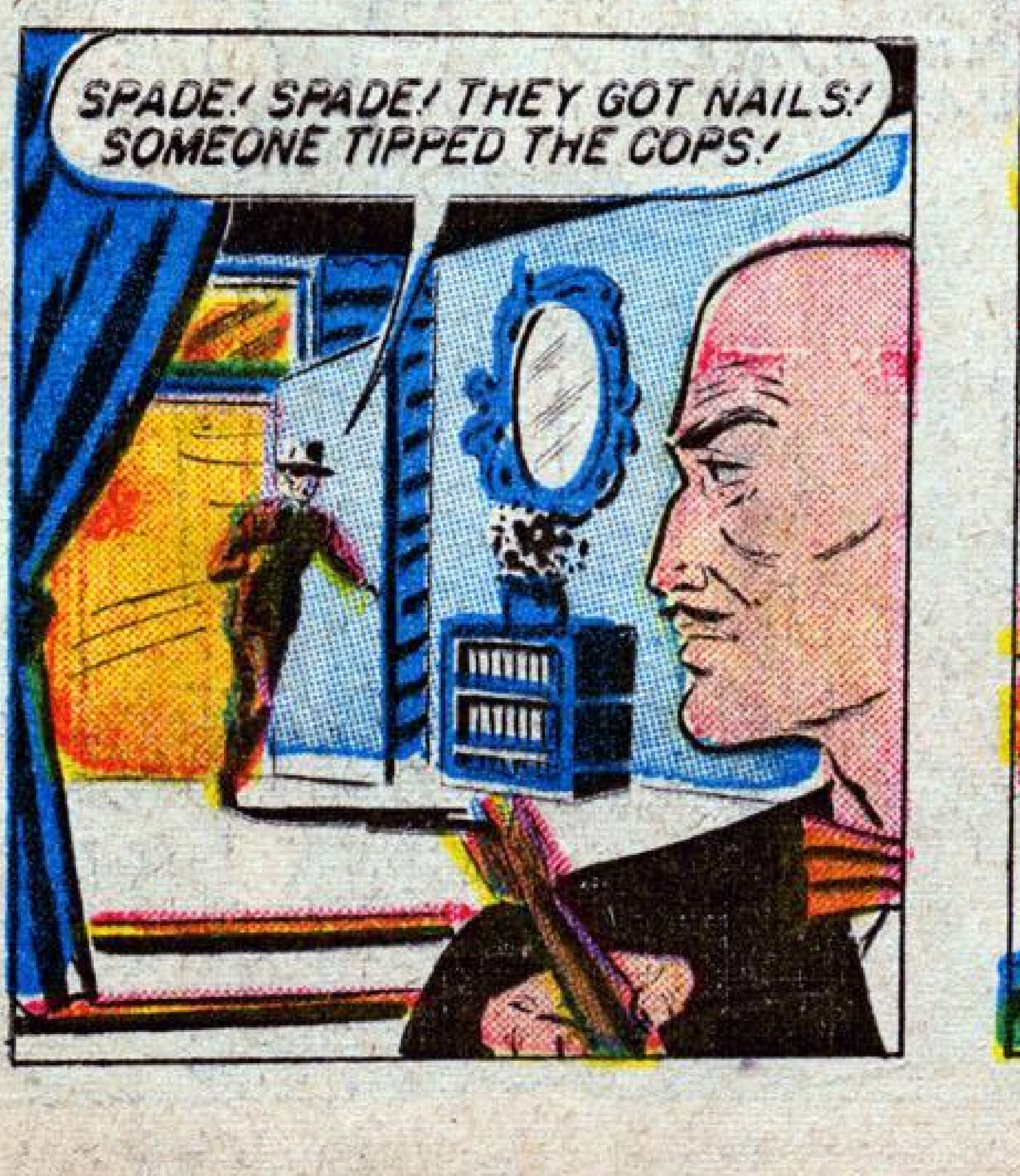

THEY WON'T GET ME! I'LL BLAST MY WAY THROUGH 'EM!
DON'T BE A FOOL, NAILS! *DON'T REACH FOR THAT GUN!* WE GOT THE DOPE ON THIS CAPER FROM A STOOLIE AND *WE'VE GOT YOU COLD!*

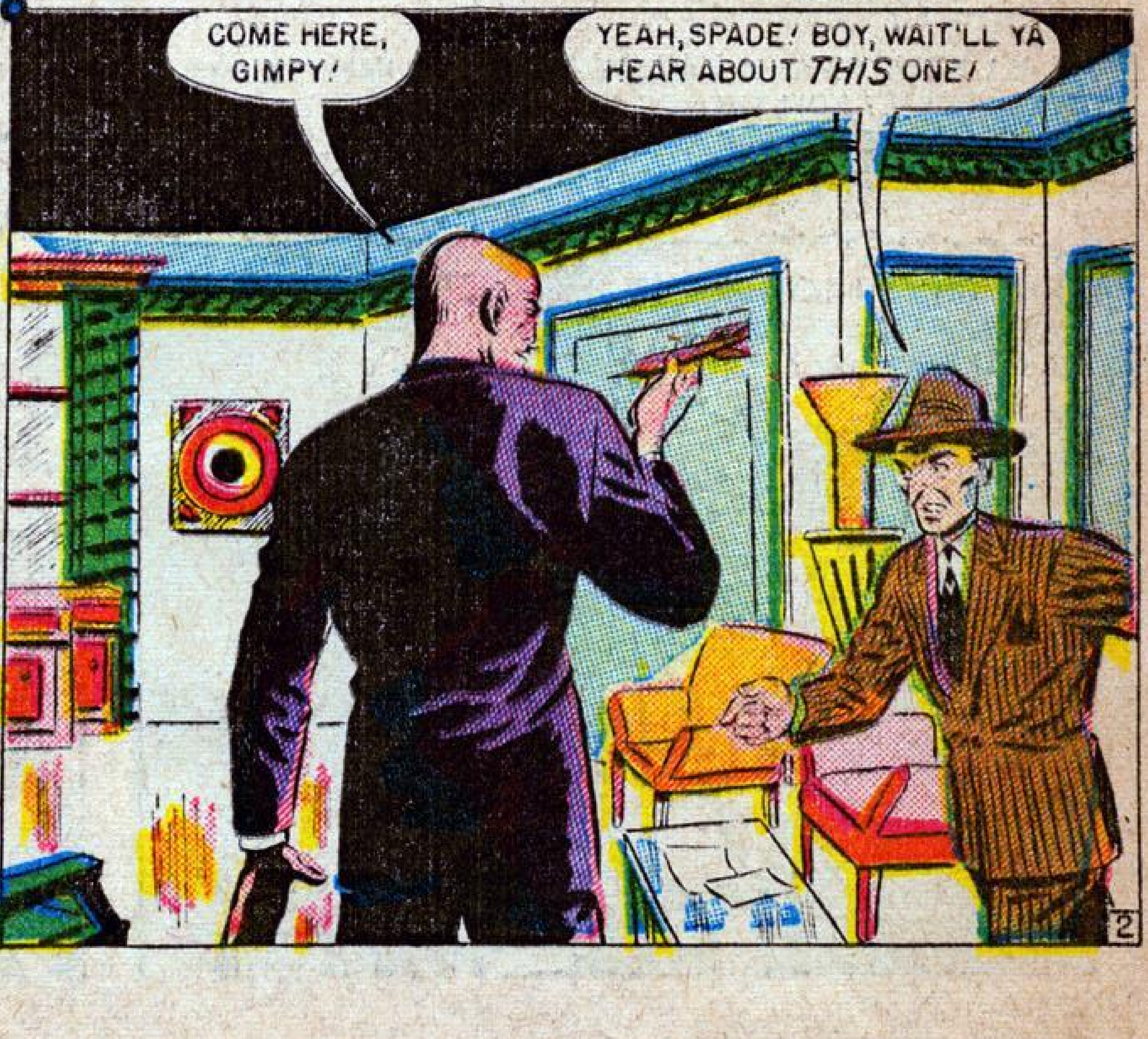

NOW, I'LL MAKE YOU BLUECOATS CRAWL!
ALL RIGHT, MEN... *LET HIM HAVE IT!*

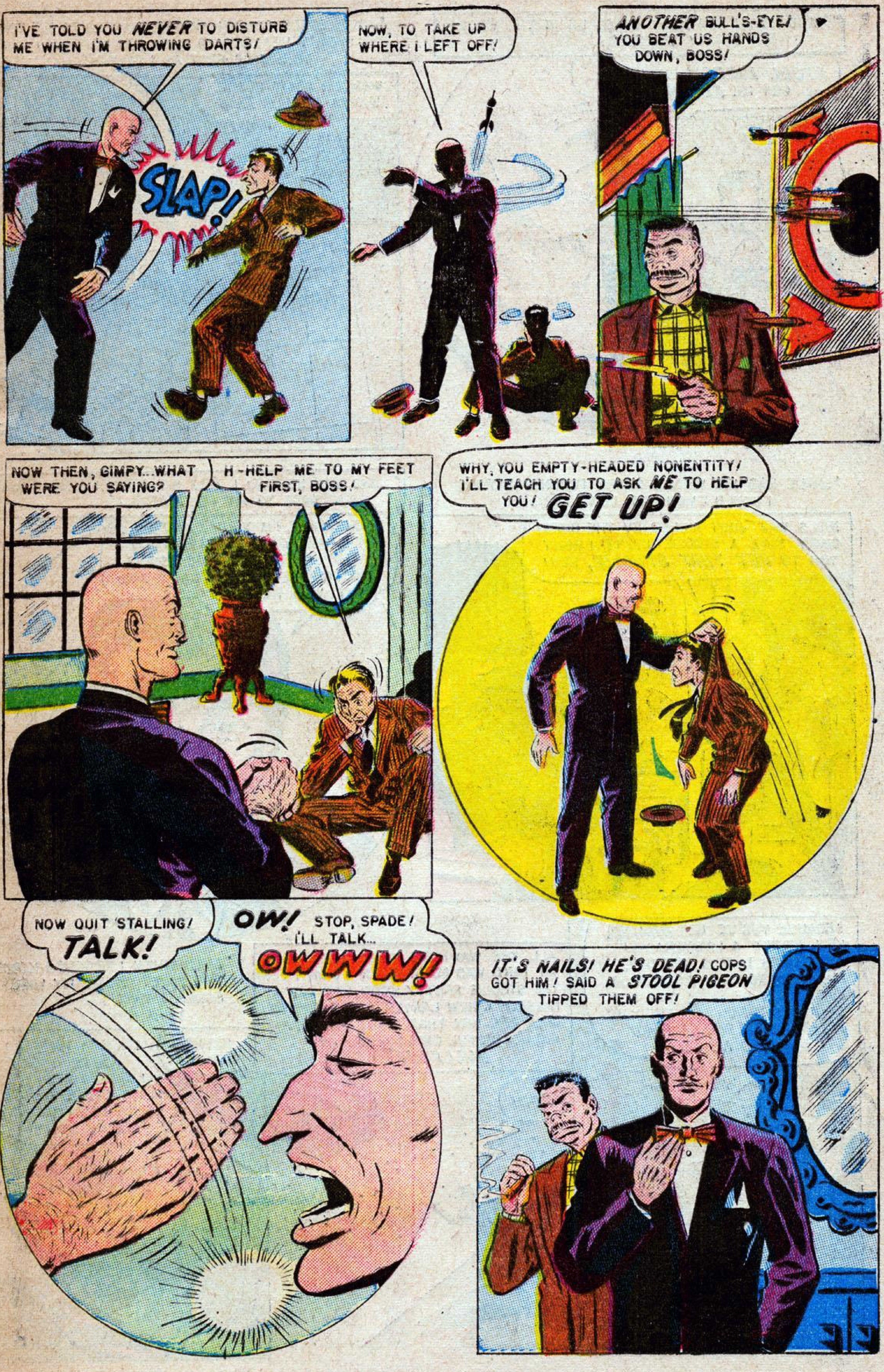

YEEEEAAAAHHHHHW!
BANG! BANG! BANG!
BANG!

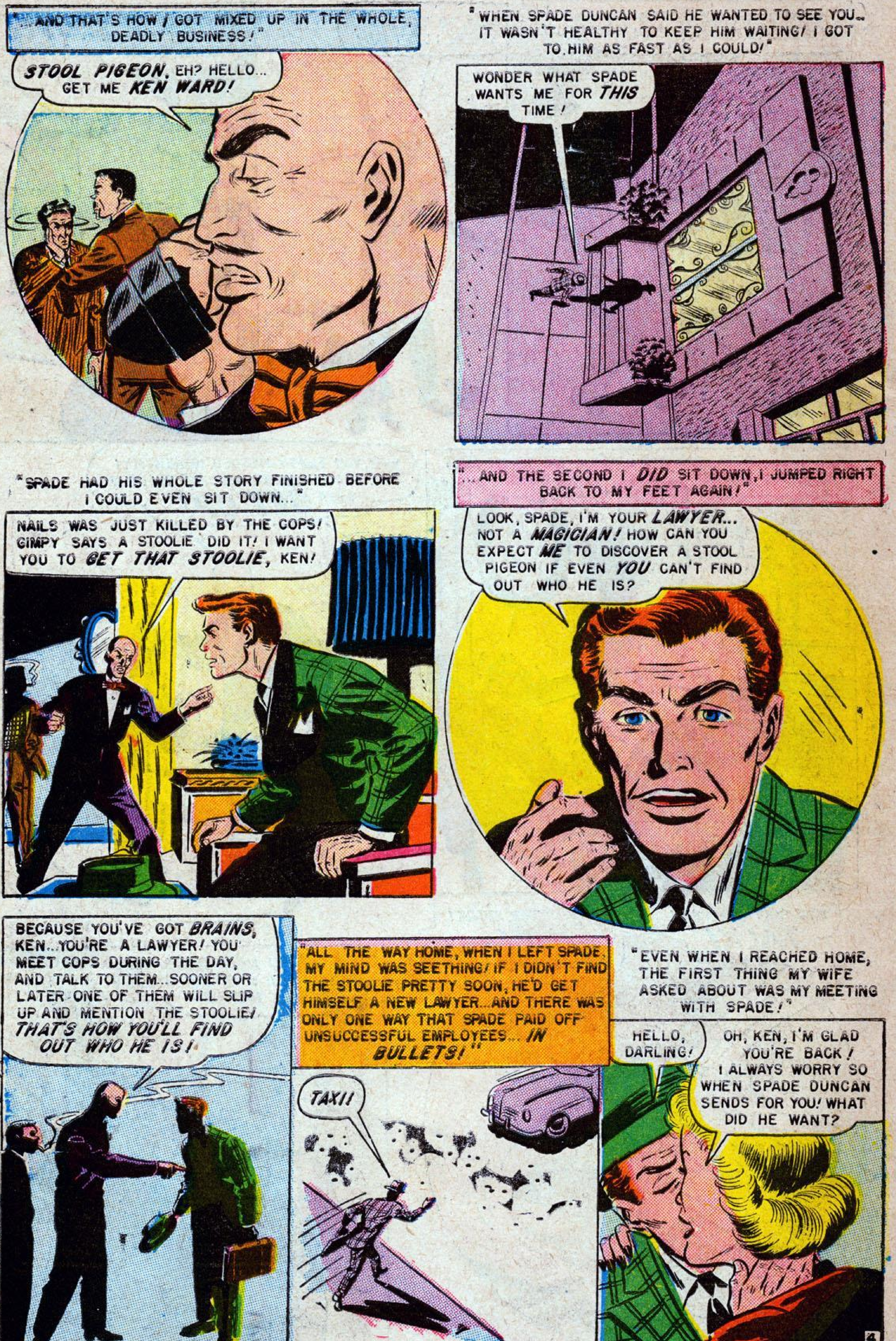

"THAT WAS THE END OF NAILS DUGAN... AND THE WORLD WAS BETTER OFF WITHOUT HIM!"
WELL, THAT CROSSES ANOTHER ONE OFF OUR LIST... THANKS TO *THE STOOL PIGEON!*

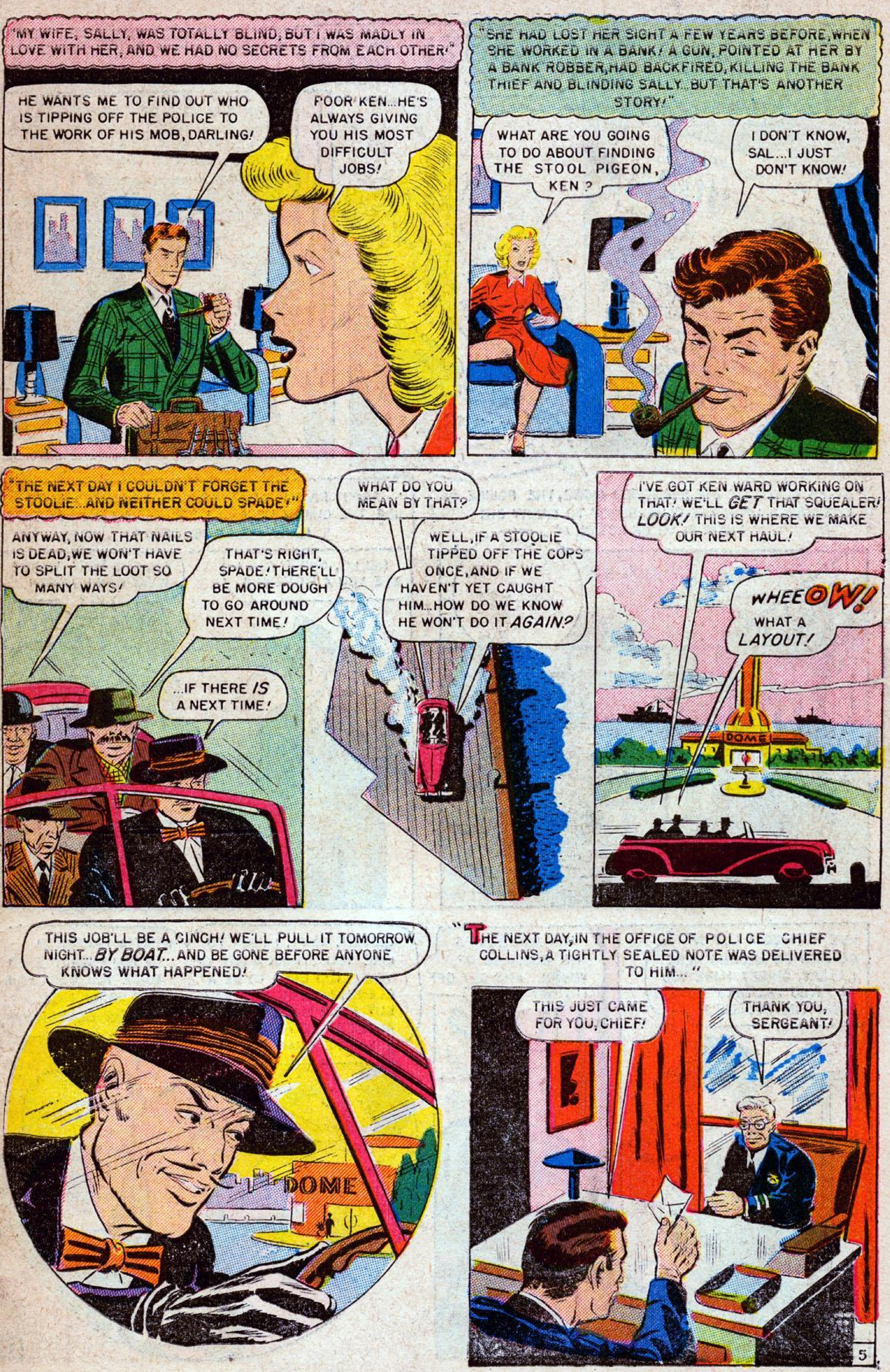
"IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE A FRENZIED MAN RACED INTO THE LUXURIOUS APARTMENT OF SPADE DUNCAN, RACKET KING OF THE EAST!"

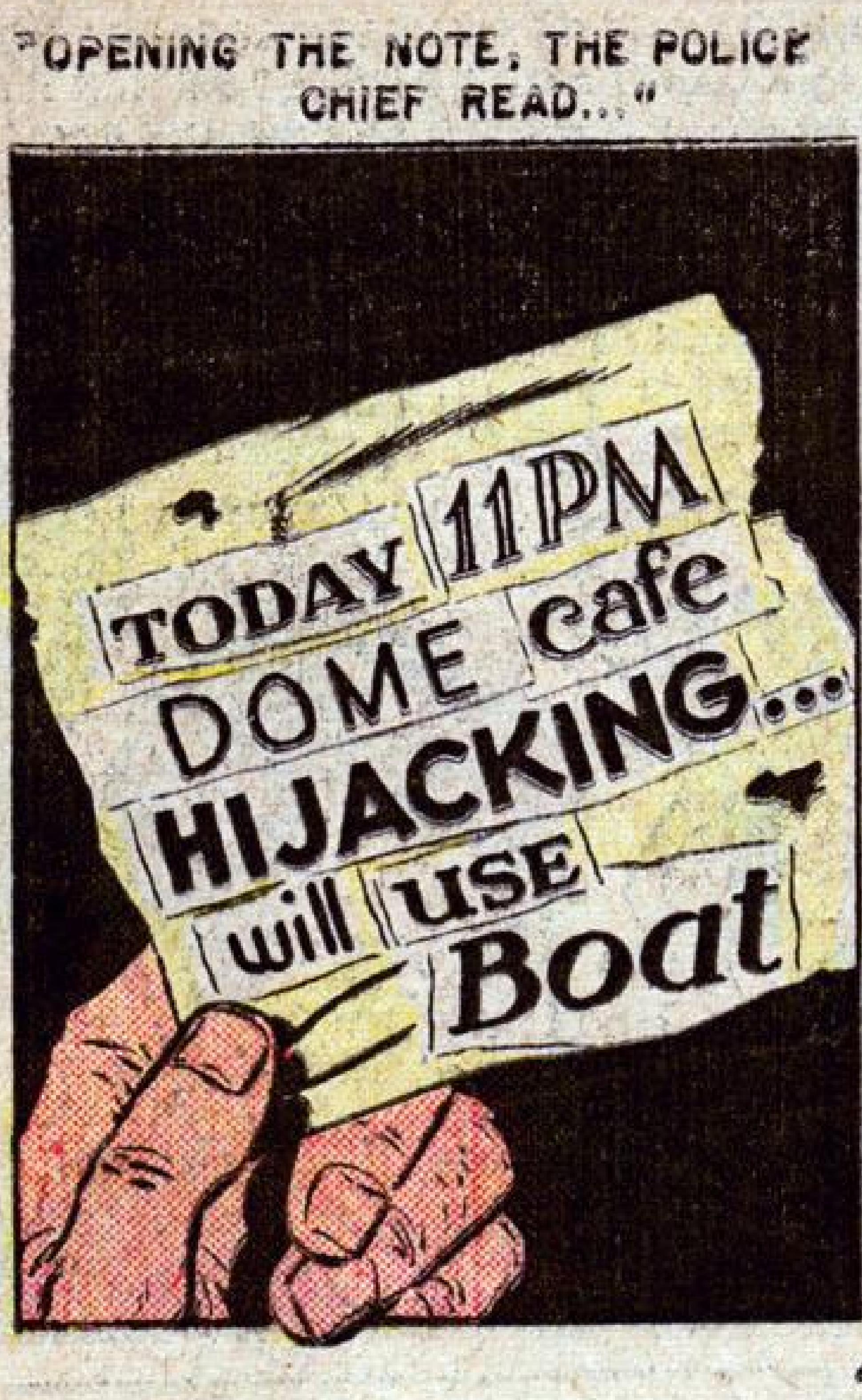

SPADE! SPADE! THEY GOT NAILS! SOMEONE TIPPED THE COPS!

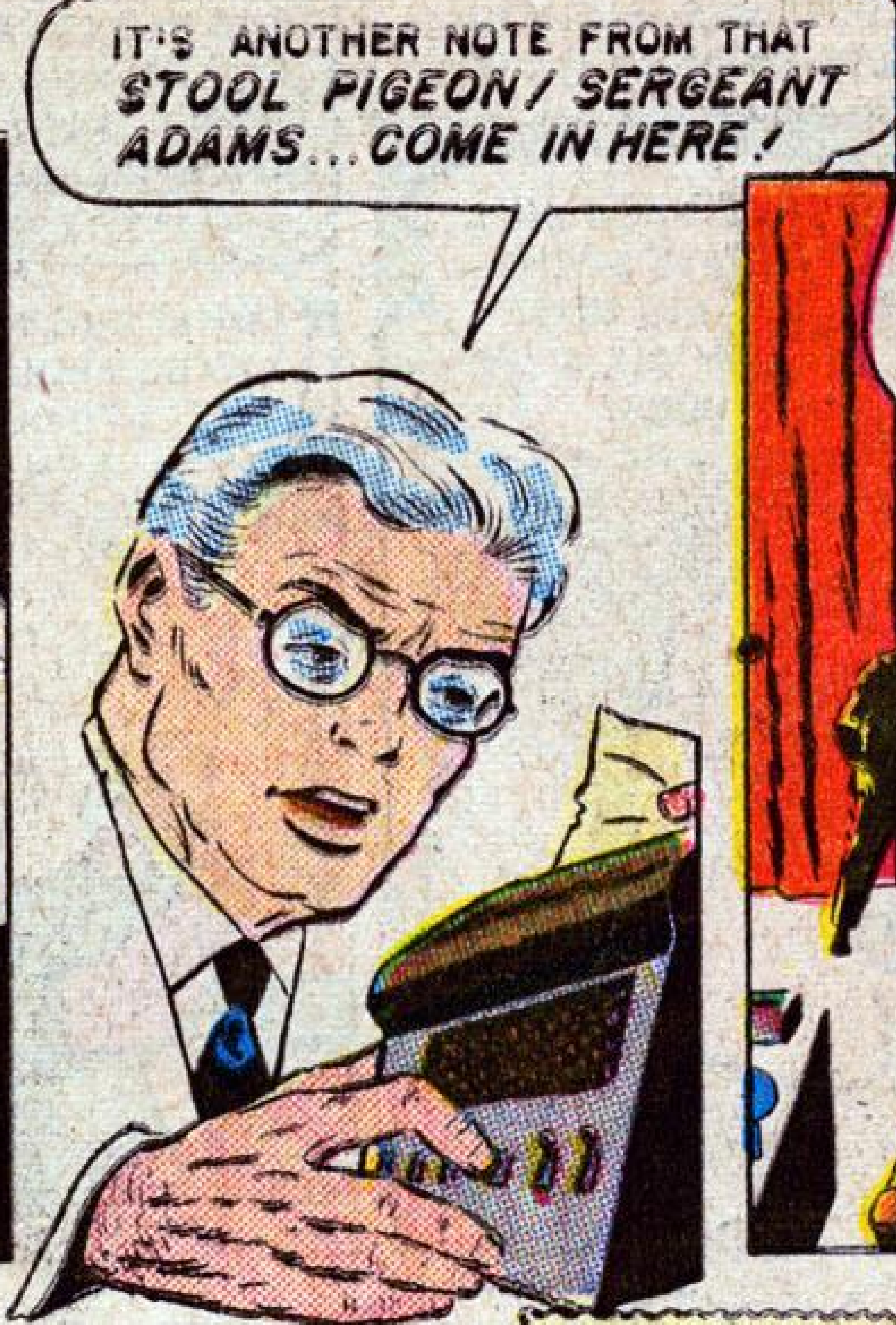

COME HERE, GIMPY!
YEAH, SPADE! BOY, WAIT'LL YA HEAR ABOUT *THIS* ONE!

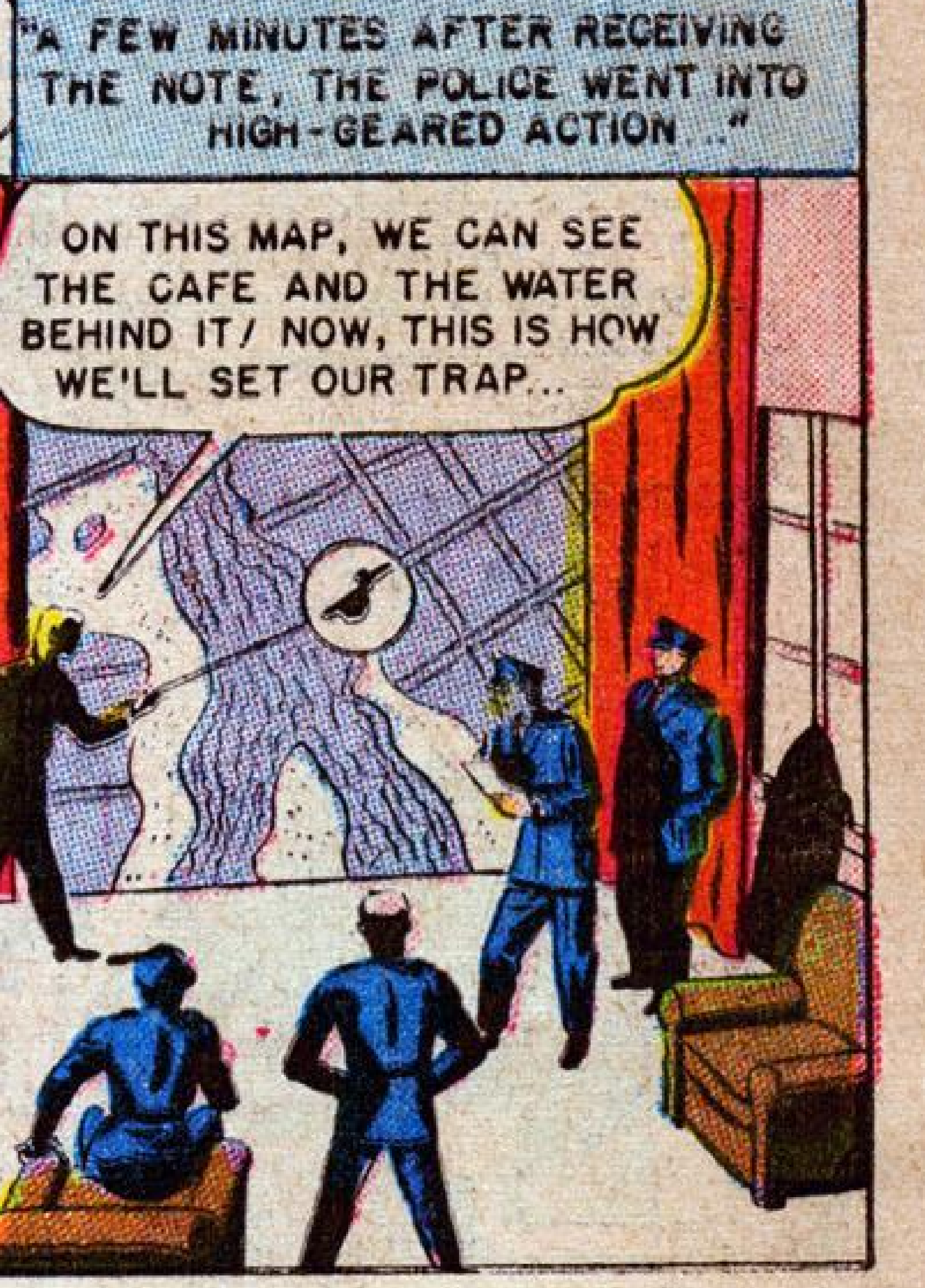

I'VE TOLD YOU NEVER TO DISTURB ME WHEN I'M THROWING DARTS!
SLAP!
NOW, TO TAKE UP WHERE I LEFT OFF!
ANOTHER BULL'S-EYE! YOU BEAT US HANDS DOWN, BOSS!
NOW THEN, GIMPY... WHAT WERE YOU SAYING?
H-HELP ME TO MY FEET FIRST, BOSS!
WHY, YOU EMPTY-HEADED NONENTITY! I'LL TEACH YOU TO ASK ME TO HELP YOU! GET UP!
NOW QUIT STALLING! TALK!
OW! STOP, SPADE! I'LL TALK... OWWW!
IT'S NAILS! HE'S DEAD! COPS GOT HIM! SAID A STOOL PIGEON TIPPED THEM OFF!

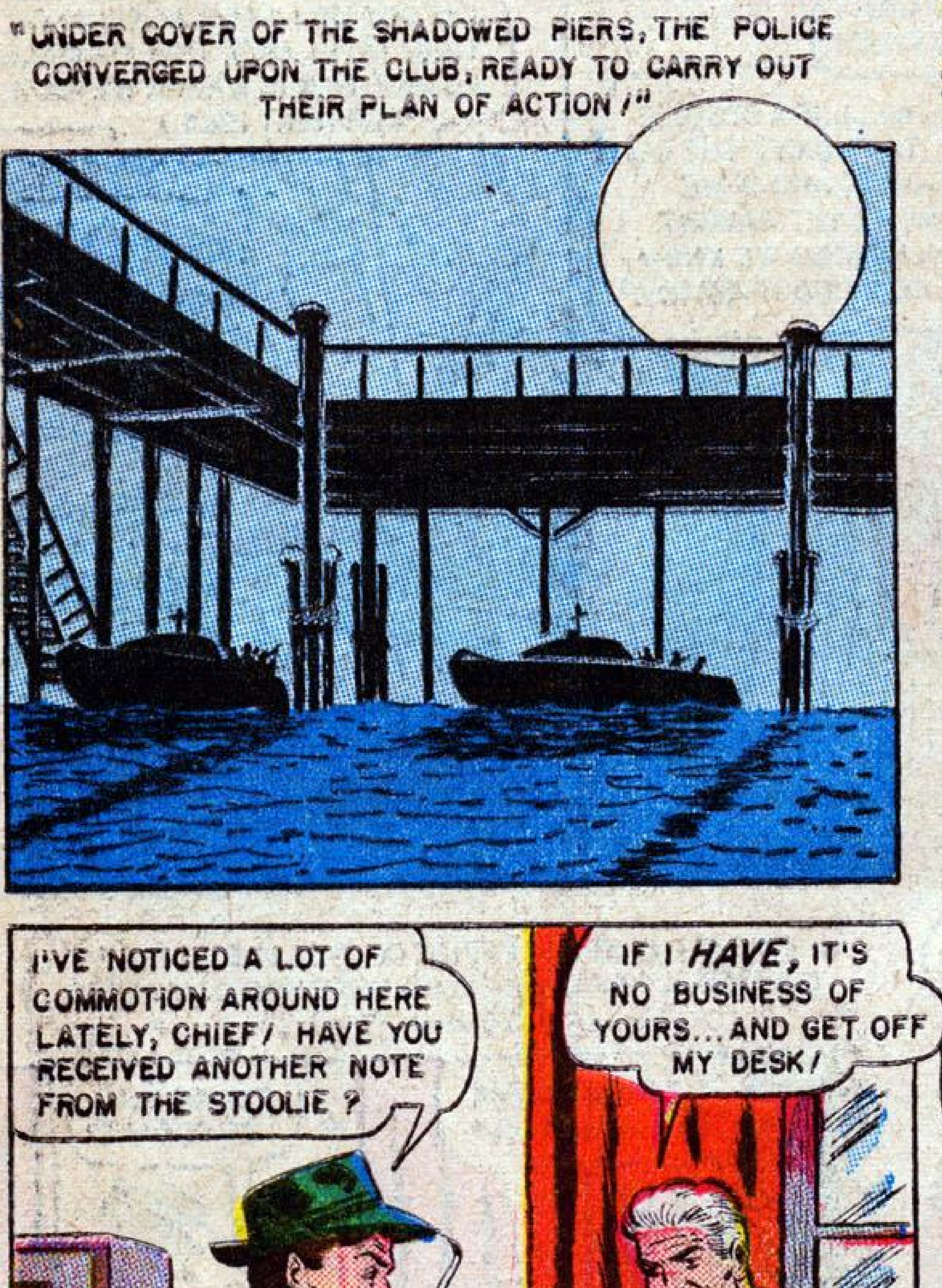

"...AND THAT'S HOW I GOT MIXED UP IN THE WHOLE, DEADLY BUSINESS!"
STOOL PIGEON, EH? HELLO... GET ME KEN WARD!
"WHEN SPADE DUNCAN SAID HE WANTED TO SEE YOU.. IT WASN'T HEALTHY TO KEEP HIM WAITING! I GOT TO HIM AS FAST AS I COULD!"
WONDER WHAT SPADE WANTS ME FOR THIS TIME!
"SPADE HAD HIS WHOLE STORY FINISHED BEFORE I COULD EVEN SIT DOWN..."
NAILS WAS JUST KILLED BY THE COPS! GIMPY SAYS A STOOLIE DID IT! I WANT YOU TO GET THAT STOOLIE, KEN!
"...AND THE SECOND I DID SIT DOWN, I JUMPED RIGHT BACK TO MY FEET AGAIN!"
LOOK, SPADE, I'M YOUR LAWYER... NOT A MAGICIAN! HOW CAN YOU EXPECT ME TO DISCOVER A STOOL PIGEON IF EVEN YOU CAN'T FIND OUT WHO HE IS?
BECAUSE YOU'VE GOT BRAINS, KEN...YOU'RE A LAWYER! YOU MEET COPS DURING THE DAY, AND TALK TO THEM...SOONER OR LATER ONE OF THEM WILL SLIP UP AND MENTION THE STOOLIE! THAT'S HOW YOU'LL FIND OUT WHO HE IS!
"ALL THE WAY HOME, WHEN I LEFT SPADE, MY MIND WAS SEETHING! IF I DIDN'T FIND THE STOOLIE PRETTY SOON, HE'D GET HIMSELF A NEW LAWYER...AND THERE WAS ONLY ONE WAY THAT SPADE PAID OFF UNSUCCESSFUL EMPLOYEES... IN BULLETS!"
TAXI!
"EVEN WHEN I REACHED HOME, THE FIRST THING MY WIFE ASKED ABOUT WAS MY MEETING WITH SPADE!"
HELLO, DARLING!
OH, KEN, I'M GLAD YOU'RE BACK! I ALWAYS WORRY SO WHEN SPADE DUNCAN SENDS FOR YOU! WHAT DID HE WANT?

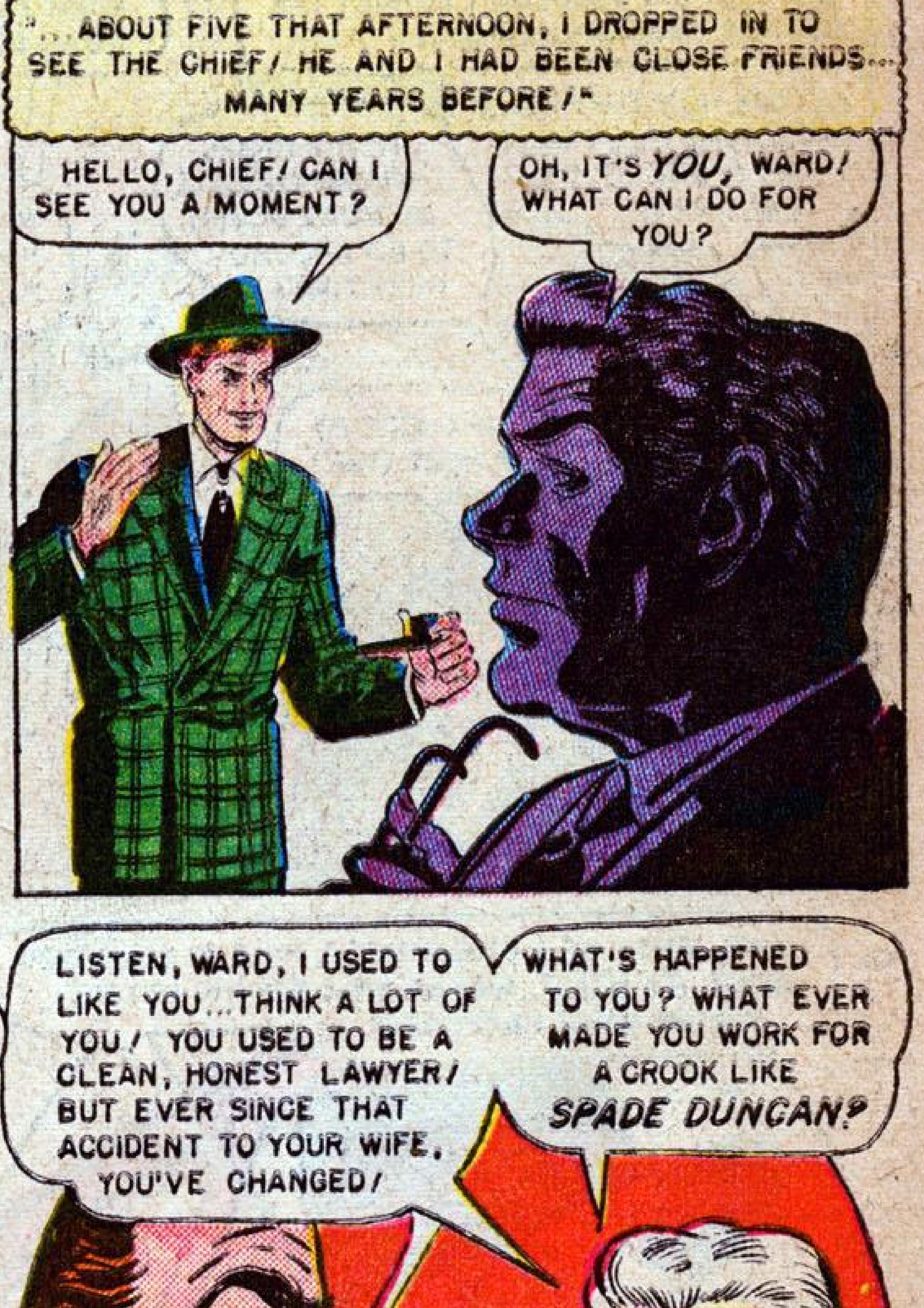

"MY WIFE, SALLY, WAS TOTALLY BLIND, BUT I WAS MADLY IN LOVE WITH HER, AND WE HAD NO SECRETS FROM EACH OTHER!"
HE WANTS ME TO FIND OUT WHO IS TIPPING OFF THE POLICE TO THE WORK OF HIS MOB, DARLING!
POOR KEN...HE'S ALWAYS GIVING YOU HIS MOST DIFFICULT JOBS!
"SHE HAD LOST HER SIGHT A FEW YEARS BEFORE, WHEN SHE WORKED IN A BANK! A GUN, POINTED AT HER BY A BANK ROBBER, HAD BACKFIRED, KILLING THE BANK THIEF AND BLINDING SALLY...BUT THAT'S ANOTHER STORY!"
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT FINDING THE STOOL PIGEON, KEN?
I DON'T KNOW, SAL...I JUST DON'T KNOW!
"THE NEXT DAY I COULDN'T FORGET THE STOOLIE...AND NEITHER COULD SPADE!"
ANYWAY, NOW THAT NAILS IS DEAD, WE WON'T HAVE TO SPLIT THE LOOT SO MANY WAYS!
THAT'S RIGHT, SPADE! THERE'LL BE MORE DOUGH TO GO AROUND NEXT TIME!
...IF THERE *IS* A NEXT TIME!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT?
WELL, IF A STOOLIE TIPPED OFF THE COPS ONCE, AND IF WE HAVEN'T YET CAUGHT HIM...HOW DO WE KNOW HE WON'T DO IT *AGAIN*?
I'VE GOT KEN WARD WORKING ON THAT! WE'LL *GET* THAT SQUEALER! *LOOK!* THIS IS WHERE WE MAKE OUR NEXT HAUL!
WHEEOW! WHAT A *LAYOUT!*
DOME
THIS JOB'LL BE A CINCH! WE'LL PULL IT TOMORROW NIGHT... *BY BOAT*... AND BE GONE BEFORE ANYONE KNOWS WHAT HAPPENED!
DOME
"THE NEXT DAY, IN THE OFFICE OF POLICE CHIEF COLLINS, A TIGHTLY SEALED NOTE WAS DELIVERED TO HIM..."
THIS JUST CAME FOR YOU, CHIEF!
THANK YOU, SERGEANT!

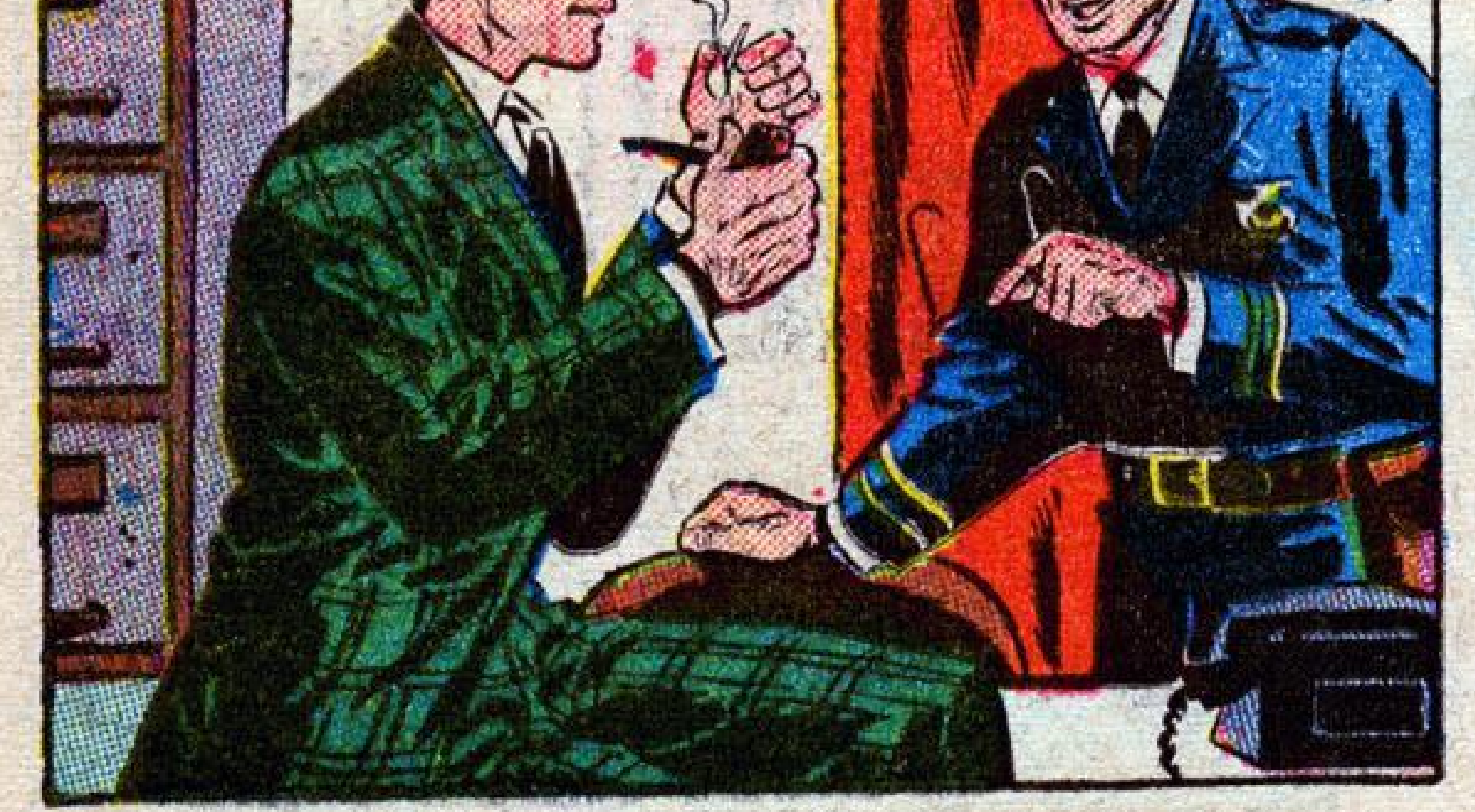

"OPENING THE NOTE, THE POLICE CHIEF READ..."
TODAY 11PM
DOME cafe
HIJACKING...
will USE
Boat

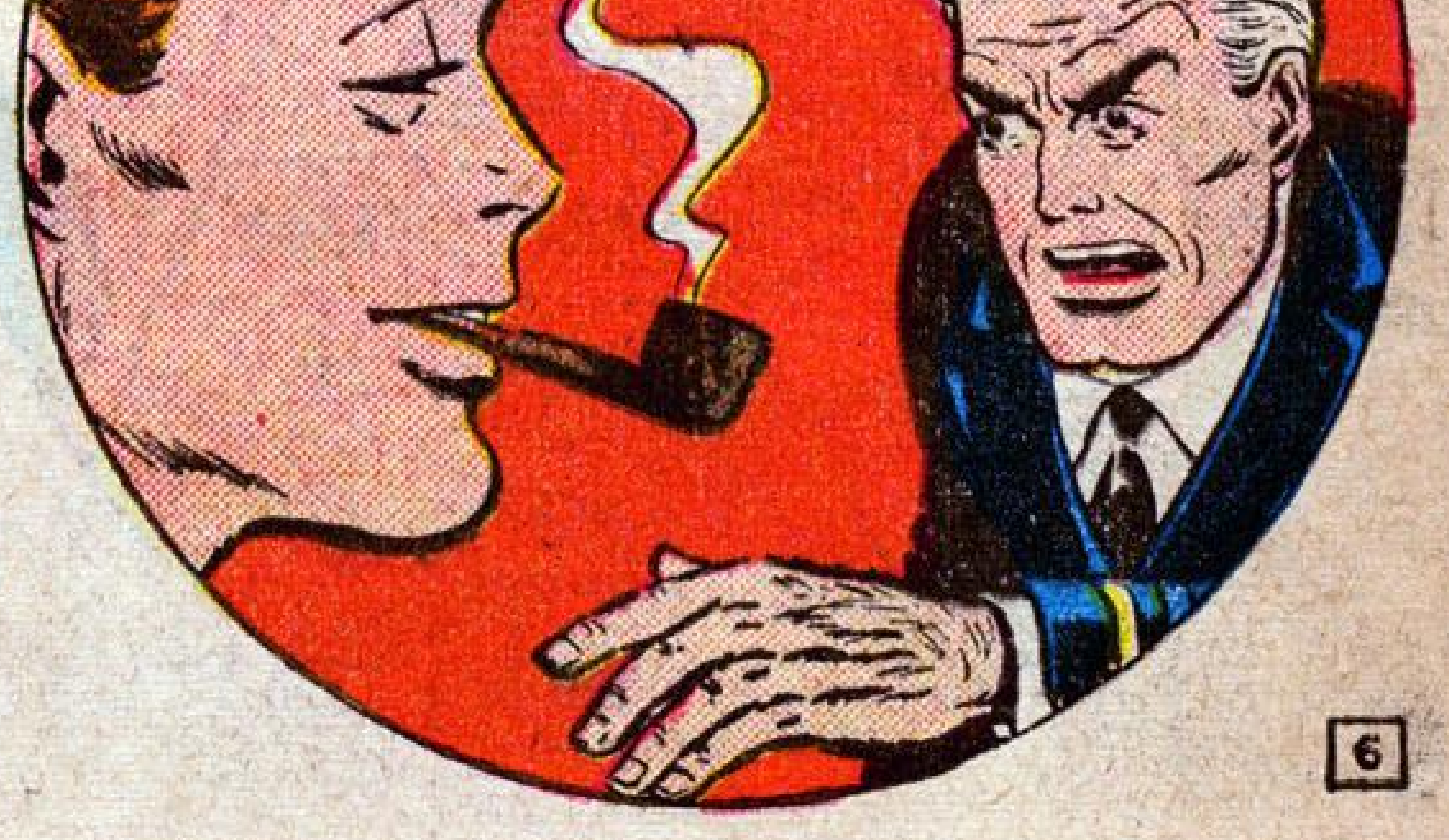

IT'S ANOTHER NOTE FROM THAT STOOL PIGEON! SERGEANT ADAMS...COME IN HERE!

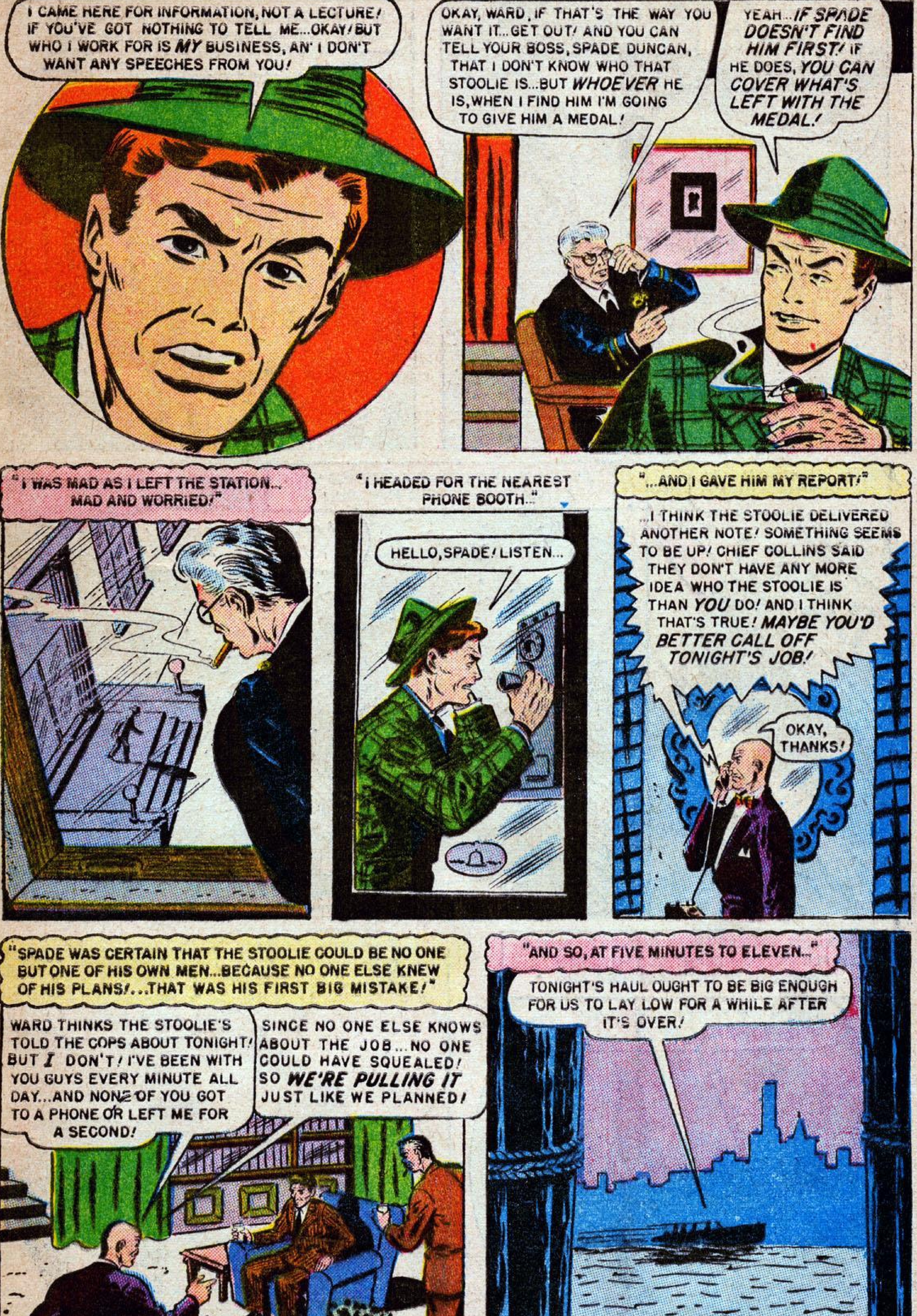

"A FEW MINUTES AFTER RECEIVING THE NOTE, THE POLICE WENT INTO HIGH-GEARED ACTION."
ON THIS MAP, WE CAN SEE THE CAFE AND THE WATER BEHIND IT! NOW, THIS IS HOW WE'LL SET OUR TRAP...

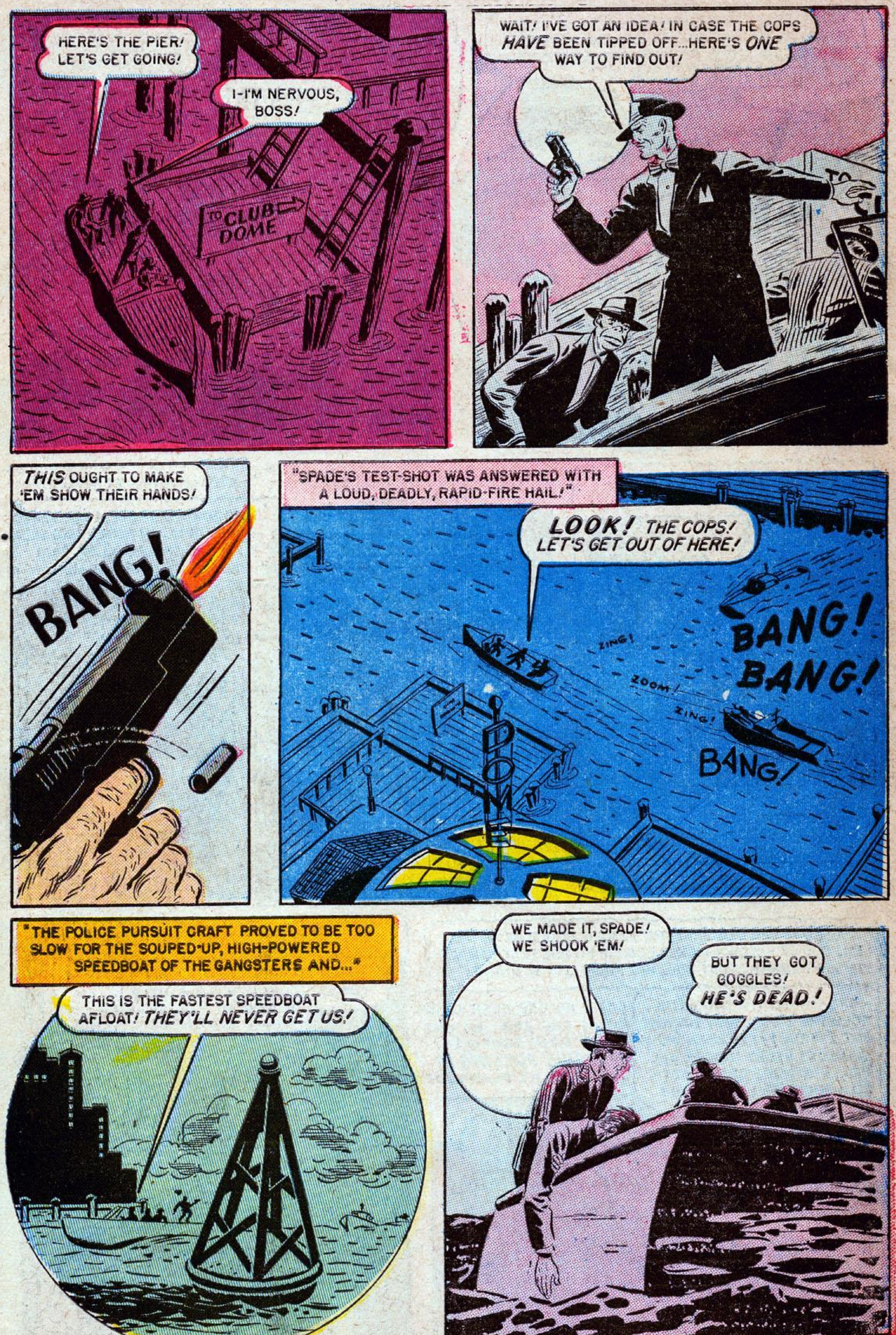

"UNDER COVER OF THE SHADOWED PIERS, THE POLICE CONVERGED UPON THE CLUB, READY TO CARRY OUT THEIR PLAN OF ACTION!"

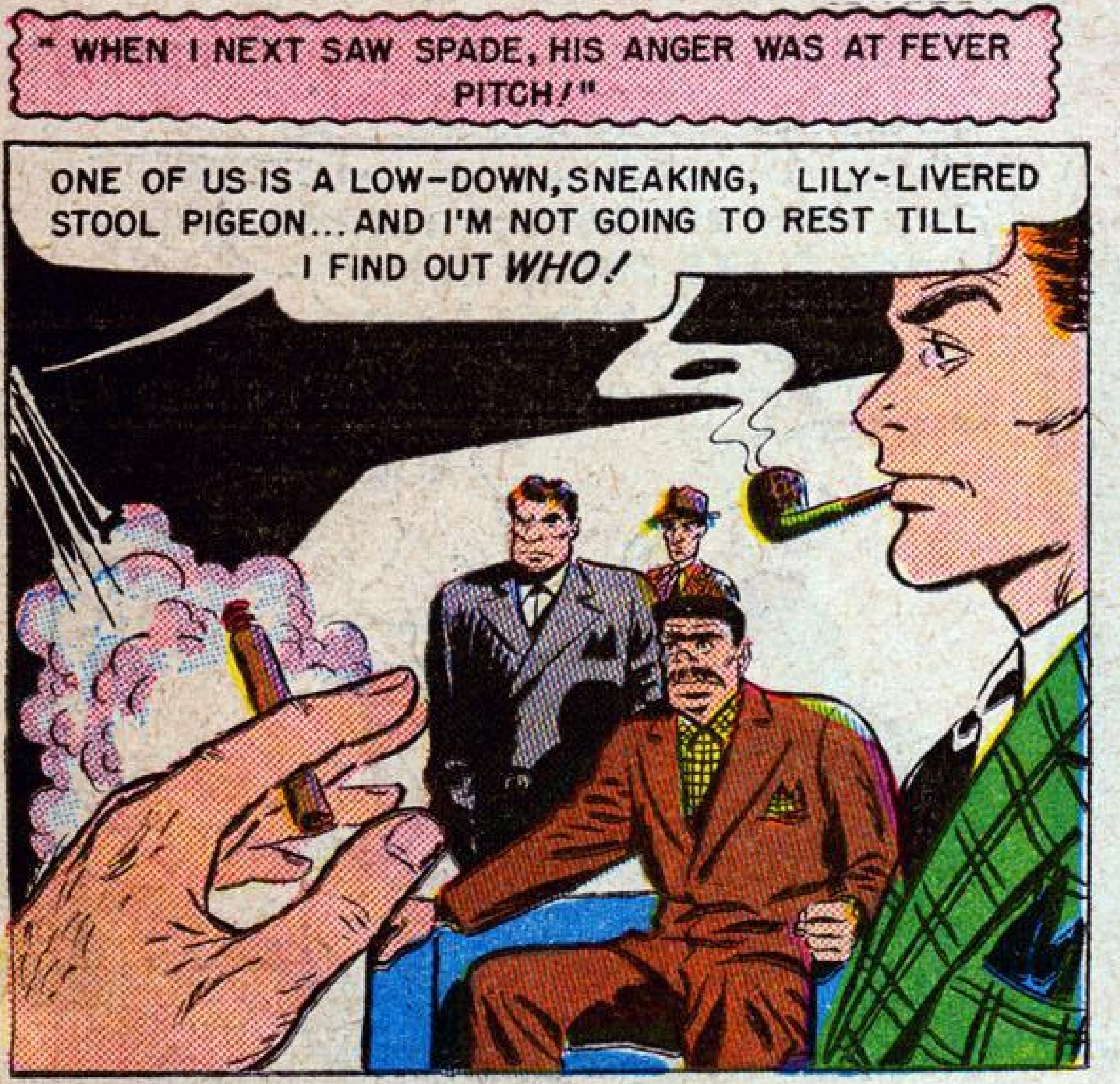

"...ABOUT FIVE THAT AFTERNOON, I DROPPED IN TO SEE THE CHIEF! HE AND I HAD BEEN CLOSE FRIENDS... MANY YEARS BEFORE!"
HELLO, CHIEF! CAN I SEE YOU A MOMENT?
OH, IT'S YOU, WARD! WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU?

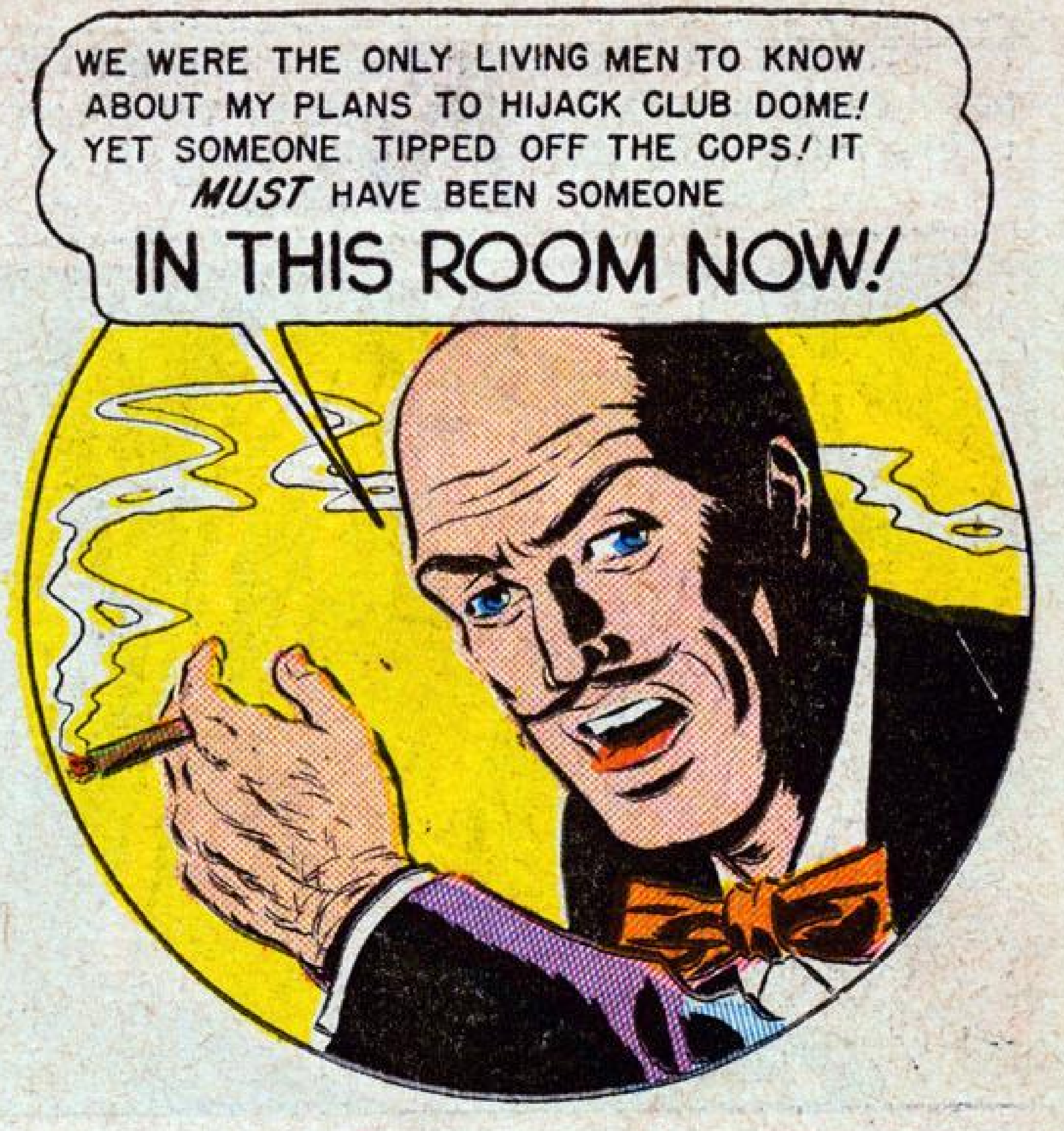

I'VE NOTICED A LOT OF COMMOTION AROUND HERE LATELY, CHIEF! HAVE YOU RECEIVED ANOTHER NOTE FROM THE STOOLIE?
IF I HAVE, IT'S NO BUSINESS OF YOURS...AND GET OFF MY DESK!

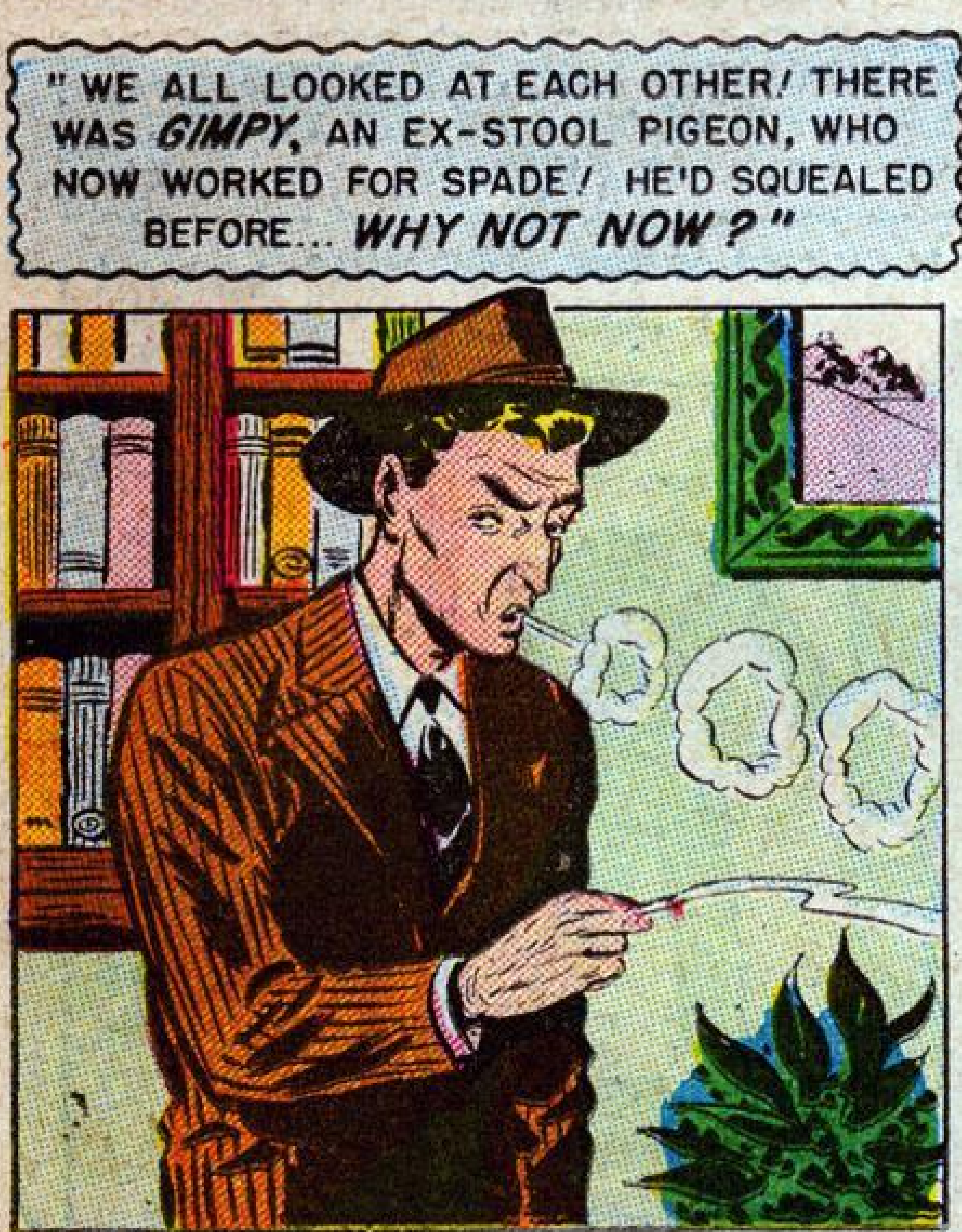

LISTEN, WARD, I USED TO LIKE YOU...THINK A LOT OF YOU! YOU USED TO BE A CLEAN, HONEST LAWYER! BUT EVER SINCE THAT ACCIDENT TO YOUR WIFE, YOU'VE CHANGED!
WHAT'S HAPPENED TO YOU? WHAT EVER MADE YOU WORK FOR A CROOK LIKE SPADE DUNCAN?

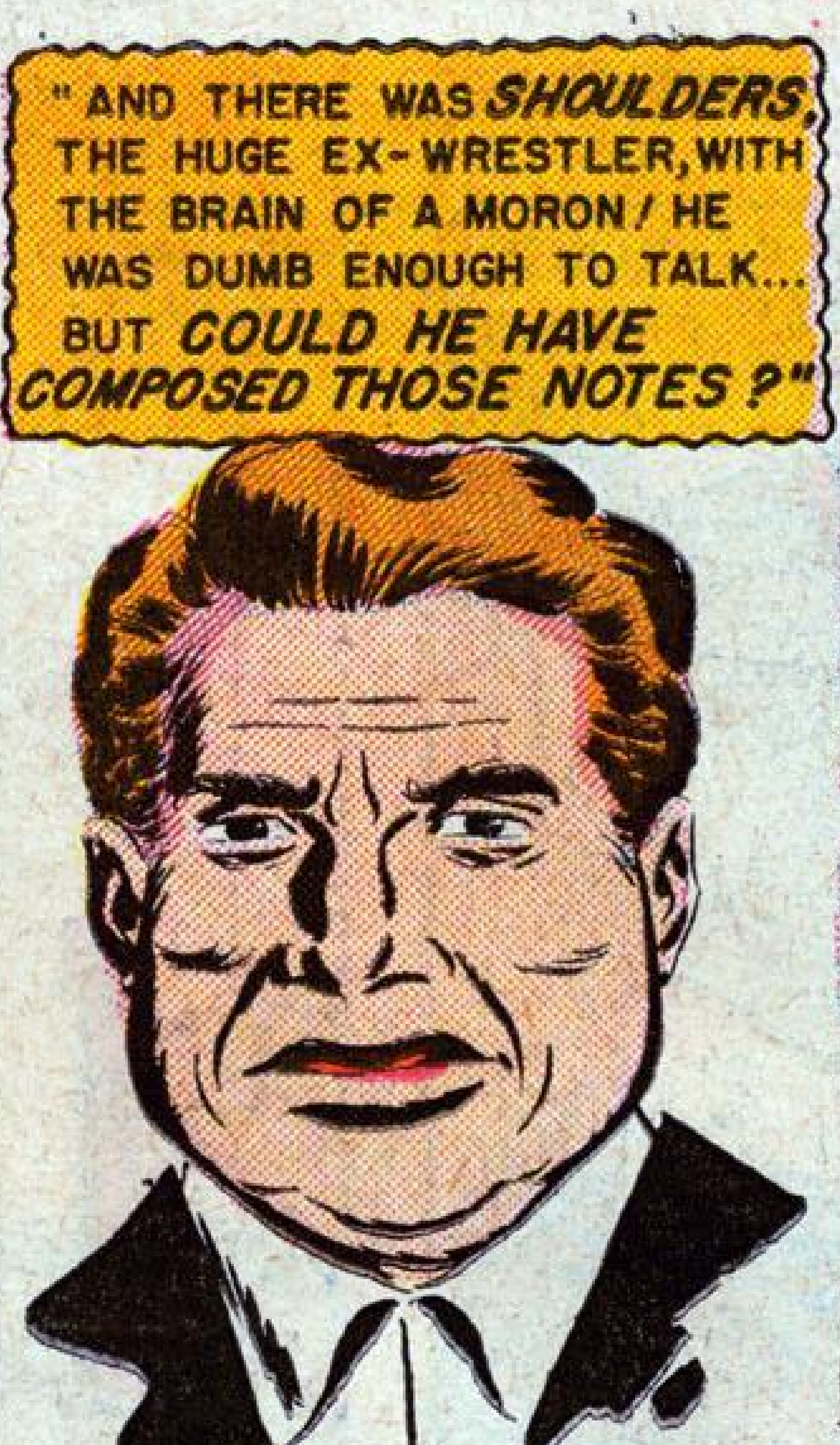

I CAME HERE FOR INFORMATION, NOT A LECTURE! IF YOU'VE GOT NOTHING TO TELL ME...OKAY! BUT WHO I WORK FOR IS *MY* BUSINESS, AN' I DON'T WANT ANY SPEECHES FROM YOU!
OKAY, WARD, IF THAT'S THE WAY YOU WANT IT...GET OUT! AND YOU CAN TELL YOUR BOSS, SPADE DUNCAN, THAT I DON'T KNOW WHO THAT STOOLIE IS...BUT *WHOEVER* HE IS, WHEN I FIND HIM I'M GOING TO GIVE HIM A MEDAL!
YEAH...*IF SPADE DOESN'T FIND HIM FIRST!* IF HE DOES, *YOU CAN COVER WHAT'S LEFT WITH THE MEDAL!*
"I WAS MAD AS I LEFT THE STATION... MAD AND WORRIED!"
"I HEADED FOR THE NEAREST PHONE BOOTH..."
HELLO, SPADE! LISTEN...
"...AND I GAVE HIM MY REPORT!"
...I THINK THE STOOLIE DELIVERED ANOTHER NOTE! SOMETHING SEEMS TO BE UP! CHIEF COLLINS SAID THEY DON'T HAVE ANY MORE IDEA WHO THE STOOLIE IS THAN *YOU* DO! AND I THINK THAT'S TRUE! *MAYBE YOU'D BETTER CALL OFF TONIGHT'S JOB!*
OKAY, THANKS!
"SPADE WAS CERTAIN THAT THE STOOLIE COULD BE NO ONE BUT ONE OF HIS OWN MEN...BECAUSE NO ONE ELSE KNEW OF HIS PLANS!...THAT WAS HIS FIRST BIG MISTAKE!"
WARD THINKS THE STOOLIE'S TOLD THE COPS ABOUT TONIGHT! BUT *I* DON'T! I'VE BEEN WITH YOU GUYS EVERY MINUTE ALL DAY...AND NONE OF YOU GOT TO A PHONE OR LEFT ME FOR A SECOND!
SINCE NO ONE ELSE KNOWS ABOUT THE JOB...NO ONE COULD HAVE SQUEALED! SO *WE'RE PULLING IT* JUST LIKE WE PLANNED!
"AND SO, AT FIVE MINUTES TO ELEVEN..."
TONIGHT'S HAUL OUGHT TO BE BIG ENOUGH FOR US TO LAY LOW FOR A WHILE AFTER IT'S OVER!

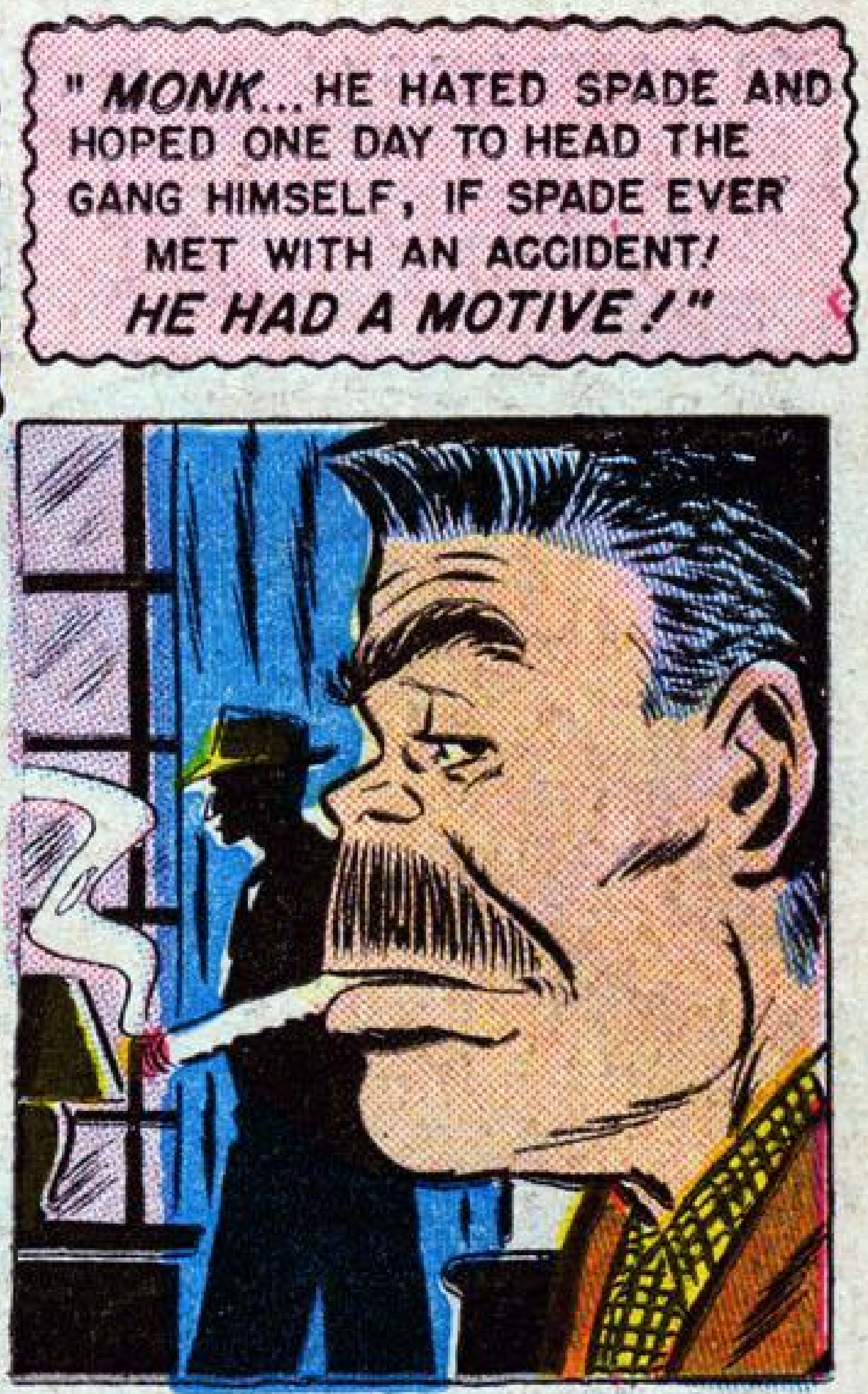

HERE'S THE PIER! LET'S GET GOING!
I-I'M NERVOUS, BOSS!
TO CLUB DOME
WAIT! I'VE GOT AN IDEA! IN CASE THE COPS HAVE BEEN TIPPED OFF...HERE'S ONE WAY TO FIND OUT!
THIS OUGHT TO MAKE 'EM SHOW THEIR HANDS!
BANG!
"SPADE'S TEST-SHOT WAS ANSWERED WITH A LOUD, DEADLY, RAPID-FIRE HAIL!"
LOOK! THE COPS! LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!
ZING!
BANG! BANG!
ZOOM!
ZING!
BANG!
"THE POLICE PURSUIT CRAFT PROVED TO BE TOO SLOW FOR THE SOUPED-UP, HIGH-POWERED SPEEDBOAT OF THE GANGSTERS AND..."
THIS IS THE FASTEST SPEEDBOAT AFLOAT! THEY'LL NEVER GET US!
WE MADE IT, SPADE! WE SHOOK 'EM!
BUT THEY GOT GOGGLES! HE'S DEAD!

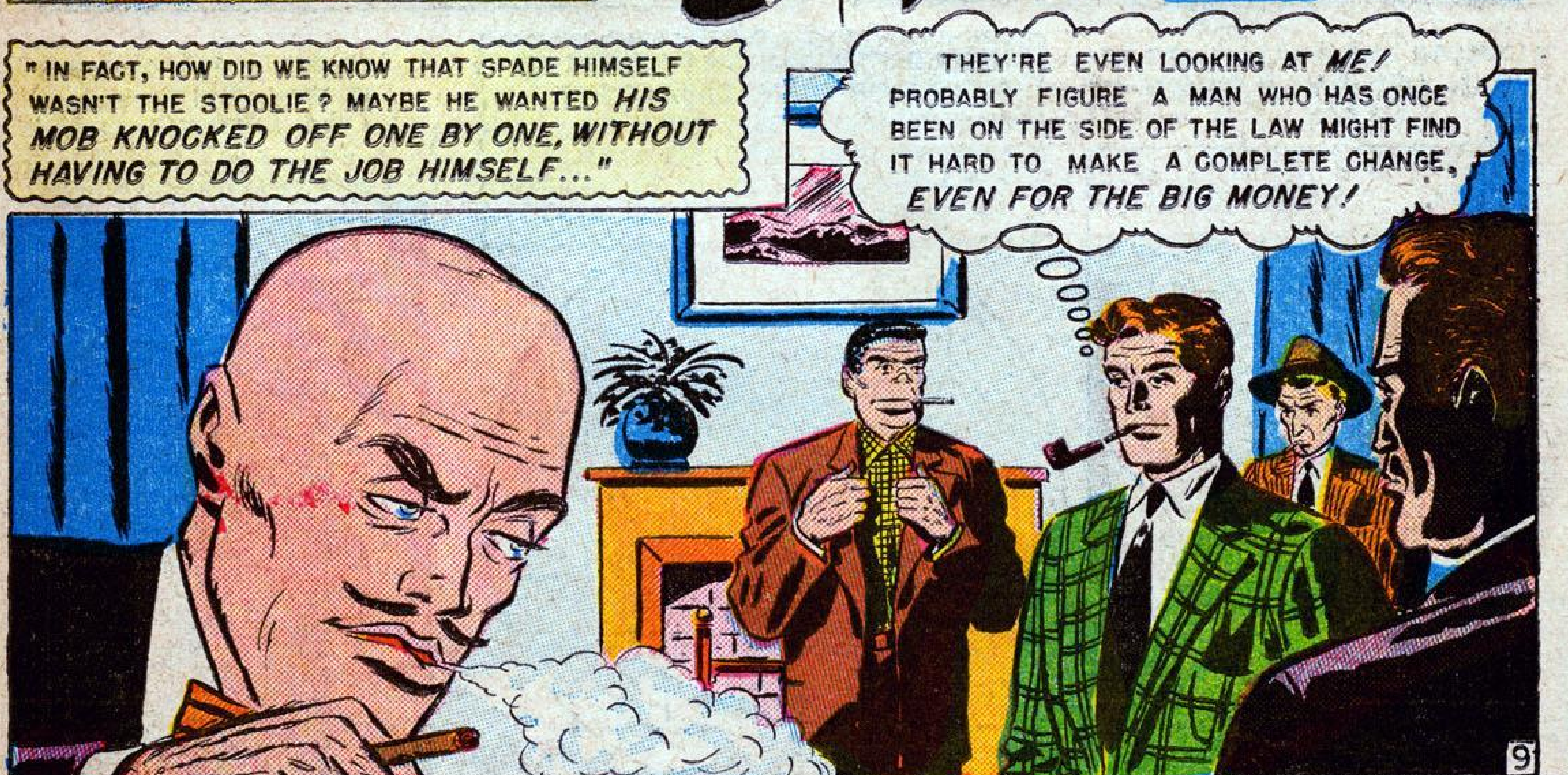

" WHEN I NEXT SAW SPADE, HIS ANGER WAS AT FEVER PITCH!"
ONE OF US IS A LOW-DOWN, SNEAKING, LILY-LIVERED STOOL PIGEON... AND I'M NOT GOING TO REST TILL I FIND OUT *WHO!*

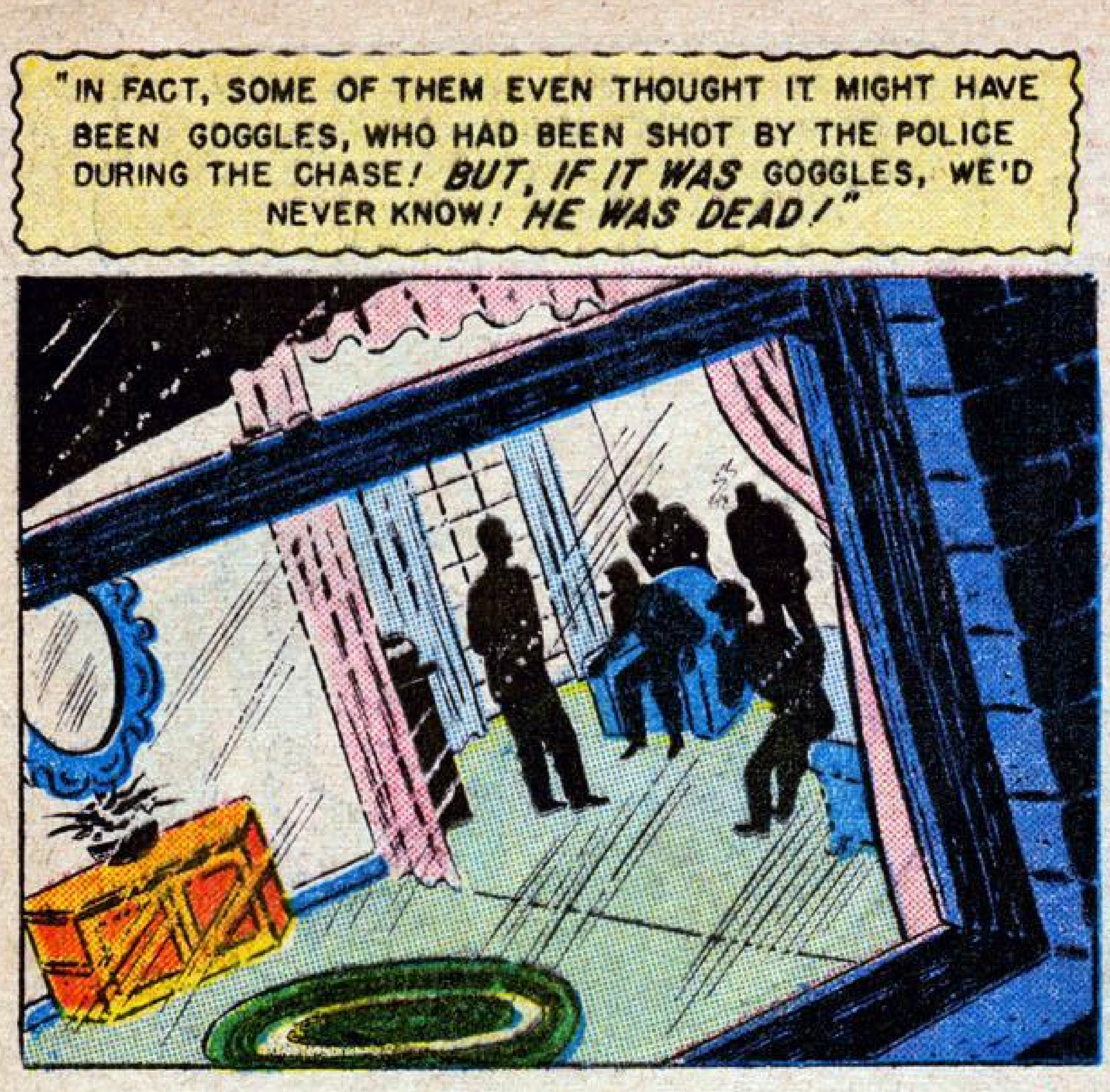

WE WERE THE ONLY LIVING MEN TO KNOW ABOUT MY PLANS TO HIJACK CLUB DOME! YET SOMEONE TIPPED OFF THE COPS! IT *MUST* HAVE BEEN SOMEONE IN THIS ROOM NOW!

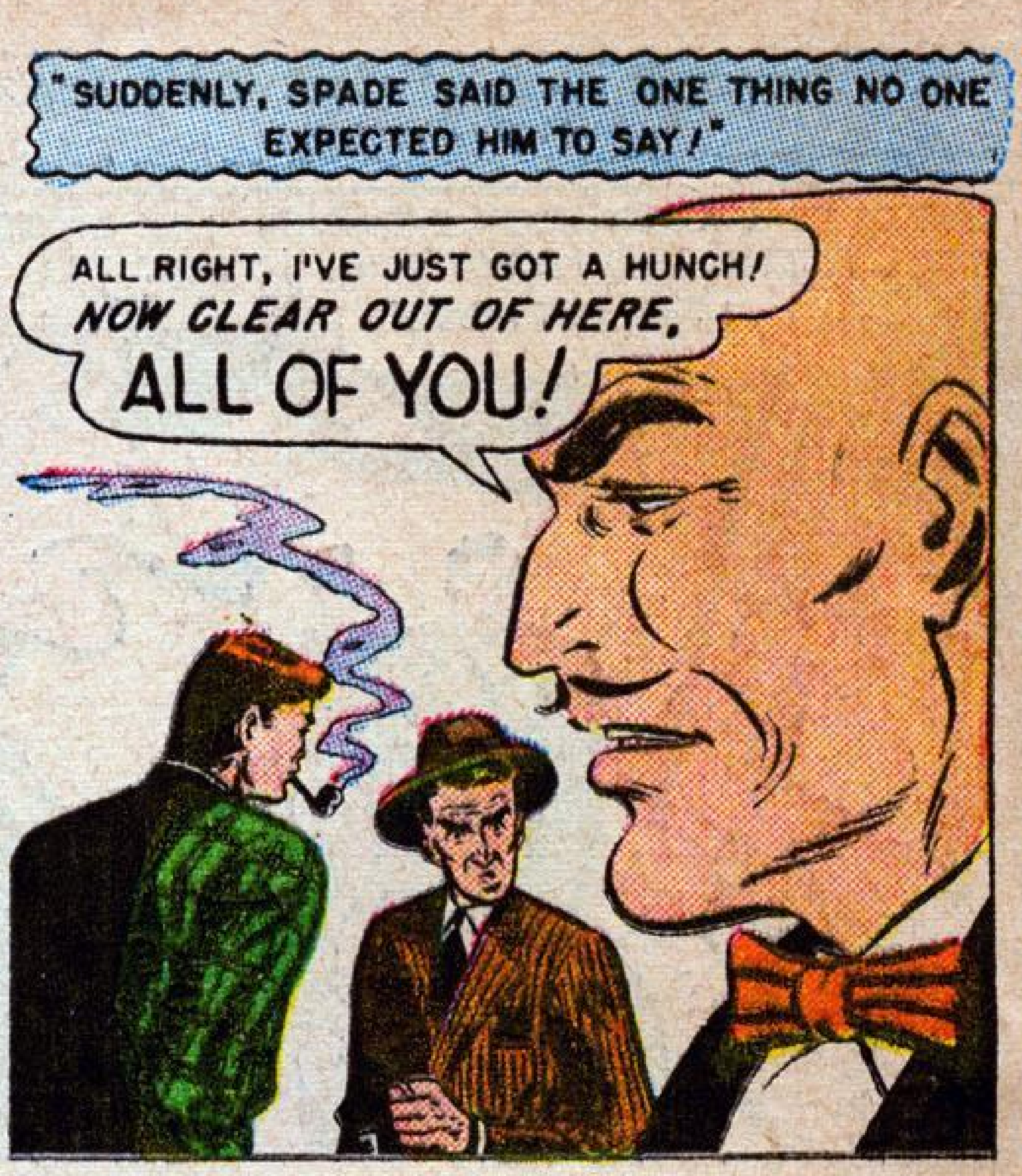

" WE ALL LOOKED AT EACH OTHER! THERE WAS *GIMPY*, AN EX-STOOL PIGEON, WHO NOW WORKED FOR SPADE! HE'D SQUEALED BEFORE... *WHY NOT NOW?*"

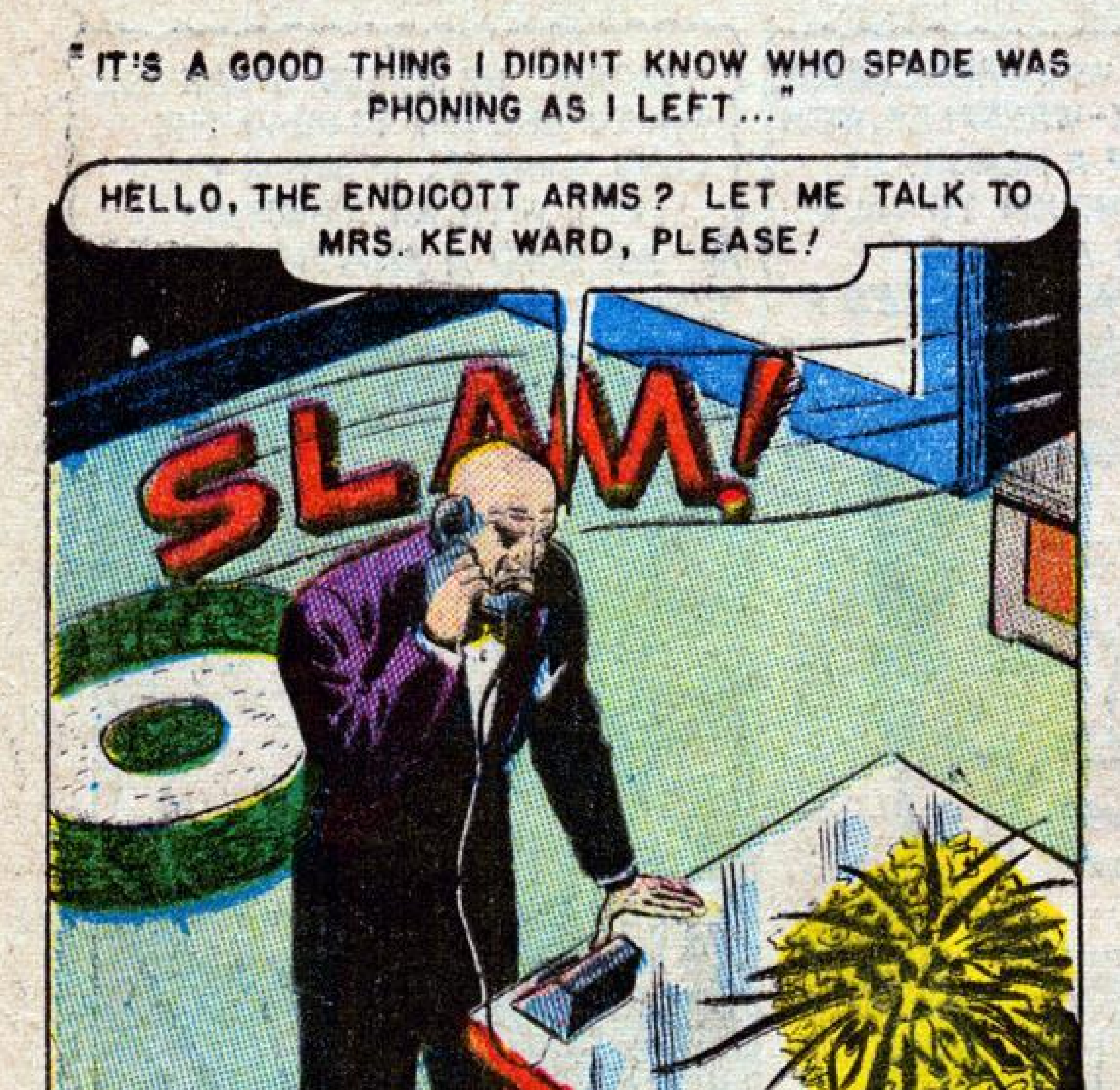

" AND THERE WAS *SHOULDERS*, THE HUGE EX-WRESTLER, WITH THE BRAIN OF A MORON! HE WAS DUMB ENOUGH TO TALK... BUT *COULD HE HAVE COMPOSED THOSE NOTES?*"

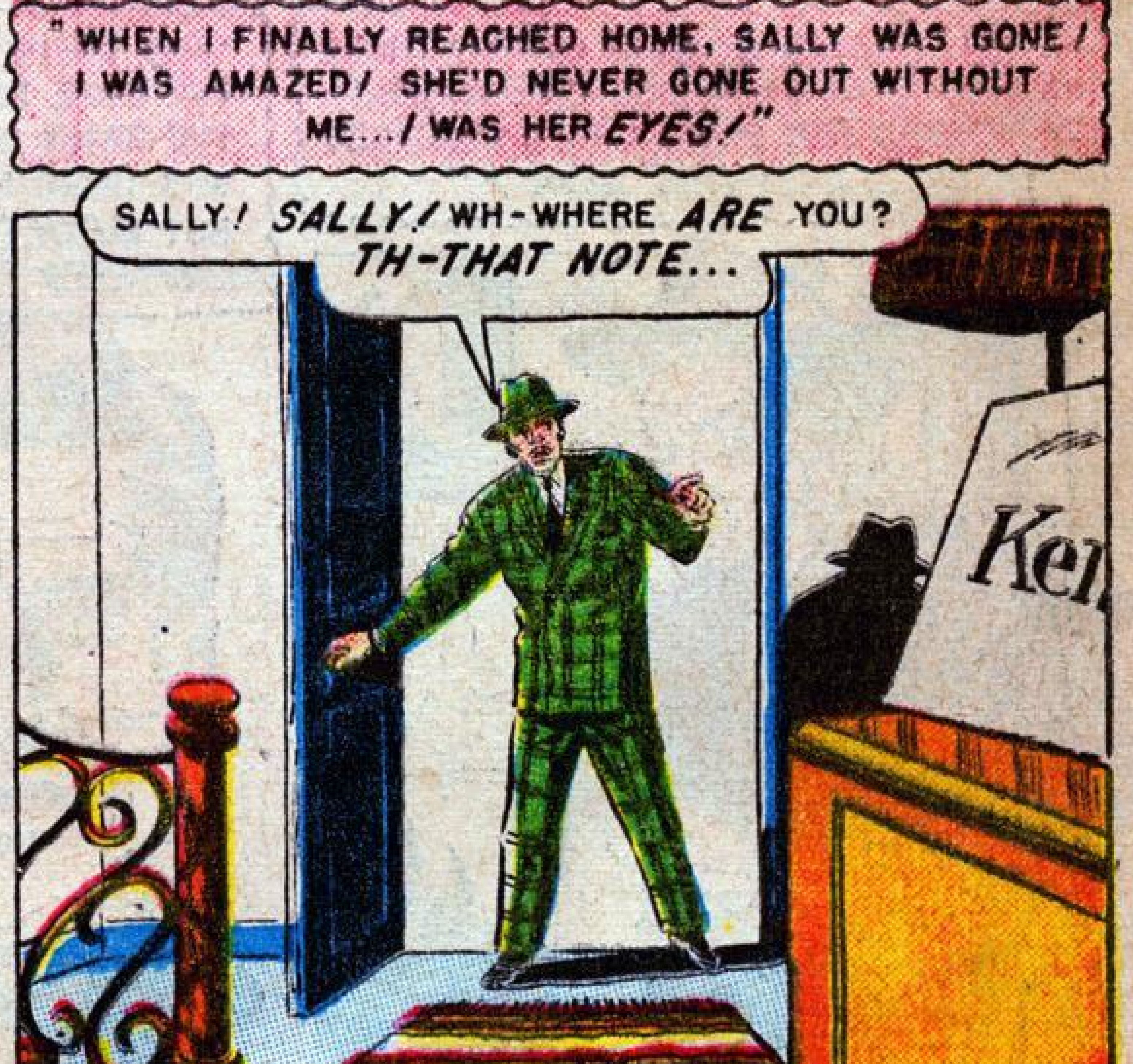

" *MONK*... HE HATED SPADE AND HOPED ONE DAY TO HEAD THE GANG HIMSELF, IF SPADE EVER MET WITH AN ACCIDENT! *HE HAD A MOTIVE!*"

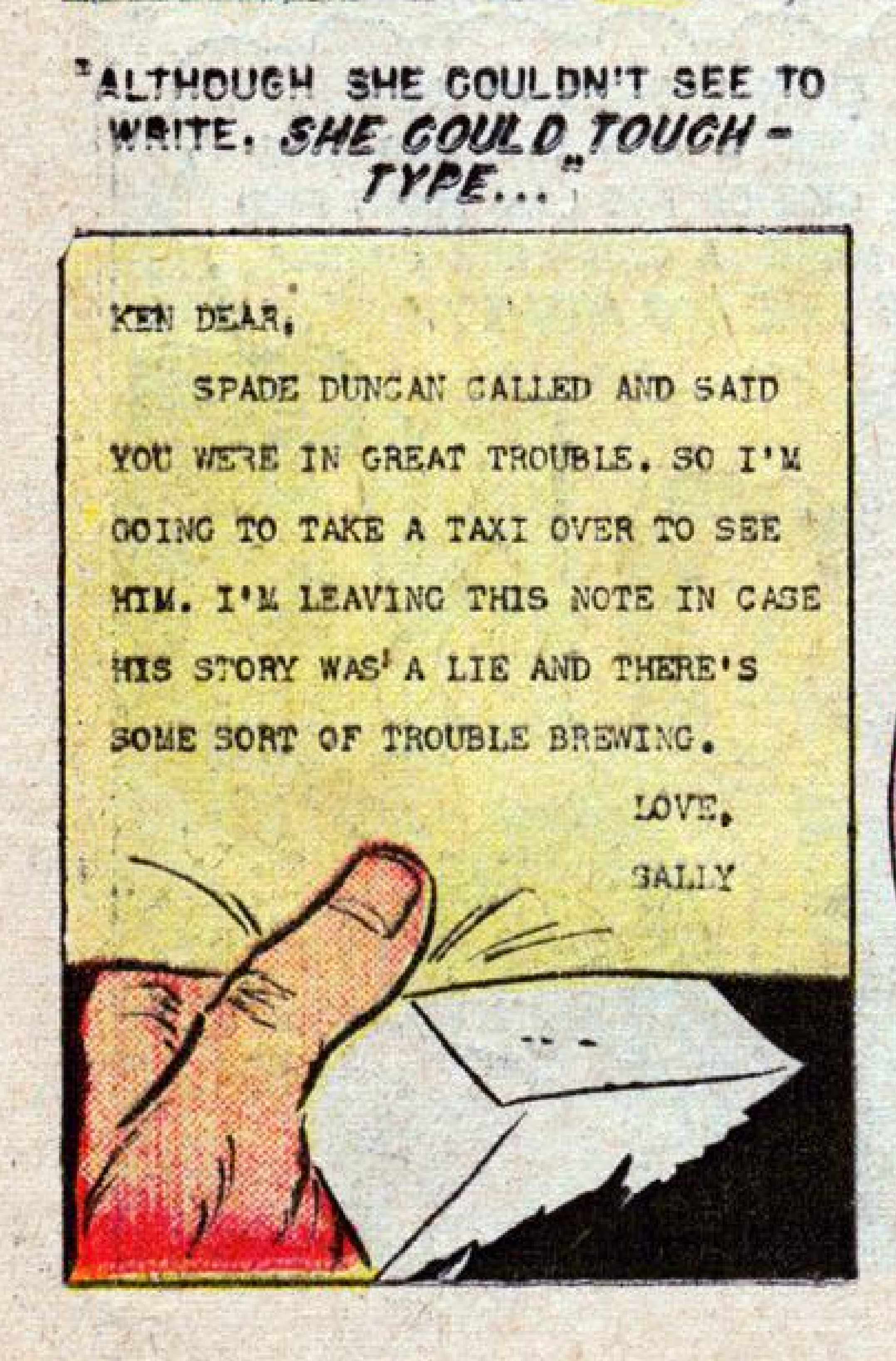

" IN FACT, HOW DID WE KNOW THAT SPADE HIMSELF WASN'T THE STOOLIE? MAYBE HE WANTED *HIS MOB KNOCKED OFF ONE BY ONE, WITHOUT HAVING TO DO THE JOB HIMSELF...*"
THEY'RE EVEN LOOKING AT *ME!* PROBABLY FIGURE A MAN WHO HAS ONCE BEEN ON THE SIDE OF THE LAW MIGHT FIND IT HARD TO MAKE A COMPLETE CHANGE, *EVEN FOR THE BIG MONEY!*


"IN FACT, SOME OF THEM EVEN THOUGHT IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN GOGGLES, WHO HAD BEEN SHOT BY THE POLICE DURING THE CHASE! *BUT, IF IT WAS* GOGGLES, WE'D NEVER KNOW! *HE WAS DEAD!*"


"SUDDENLY, SPADE SAID THE ONE THING NO ONE EXPECTED HIM TO SAY!"
ALL RIGHT, I'VE JUST GOT A HUNCH! *NOW CLEAR OUT OF HERE,* ALL OF YOU!


"IT'S A GOOD THING I DIDN'T KNOW WHO SPADE WAS PHONING AS I LEFT..."
HELLO, THE ENDICOTT ARMS? LET ME TALK TO MRS. KEN WARD, PLEASE!
SLAM!

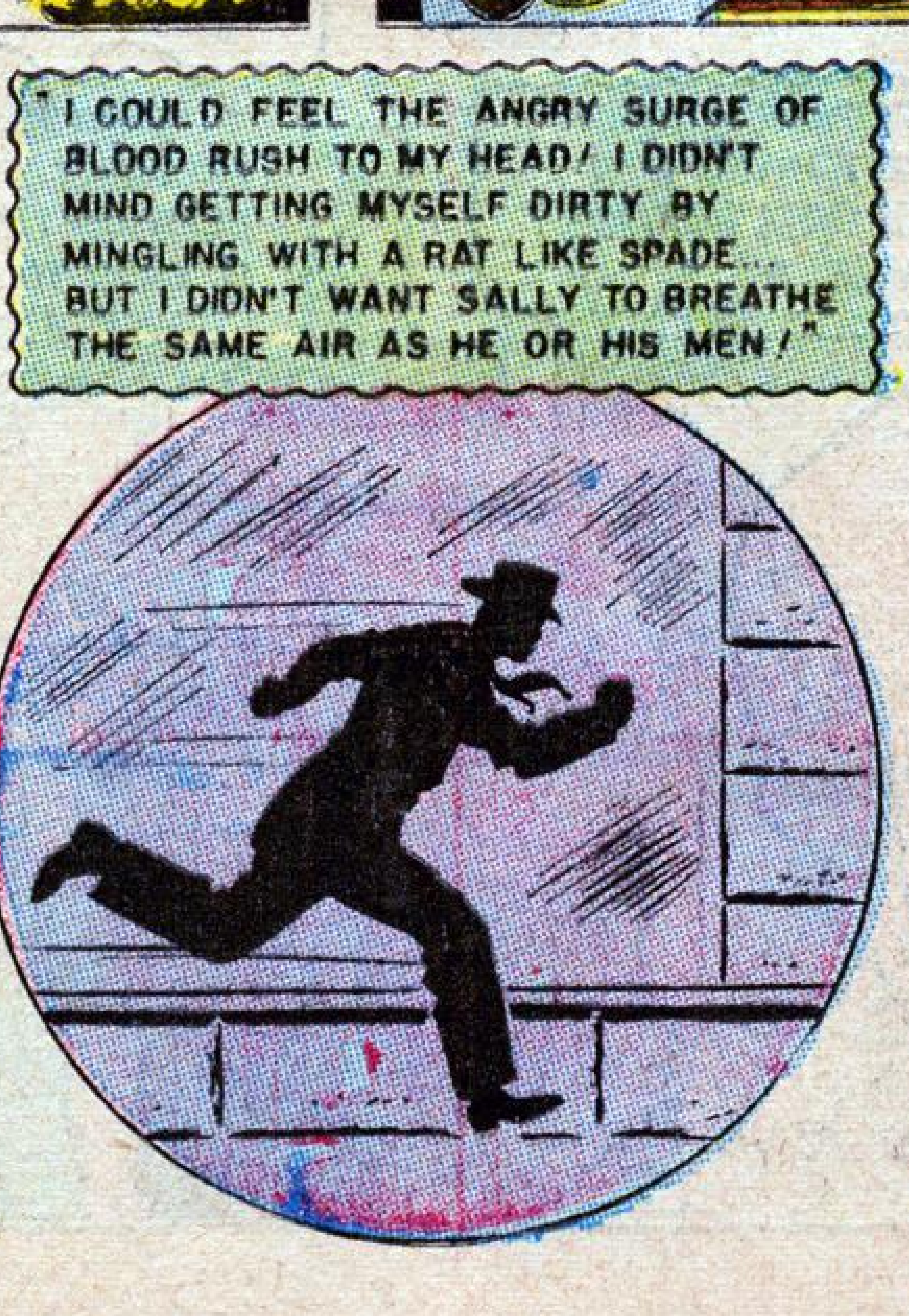

"WHEN I FINALLY REACHED HOME, SALLY WAS GONE! I WAS AMAZED! SHE'D NEVER GONE OUT WITHOUT ME... I WAS HER *EYES!*"
SALLY! *SALLY!* WH-WHERE *ARE* YOU? *TH-THAT NOTE...*
Ken

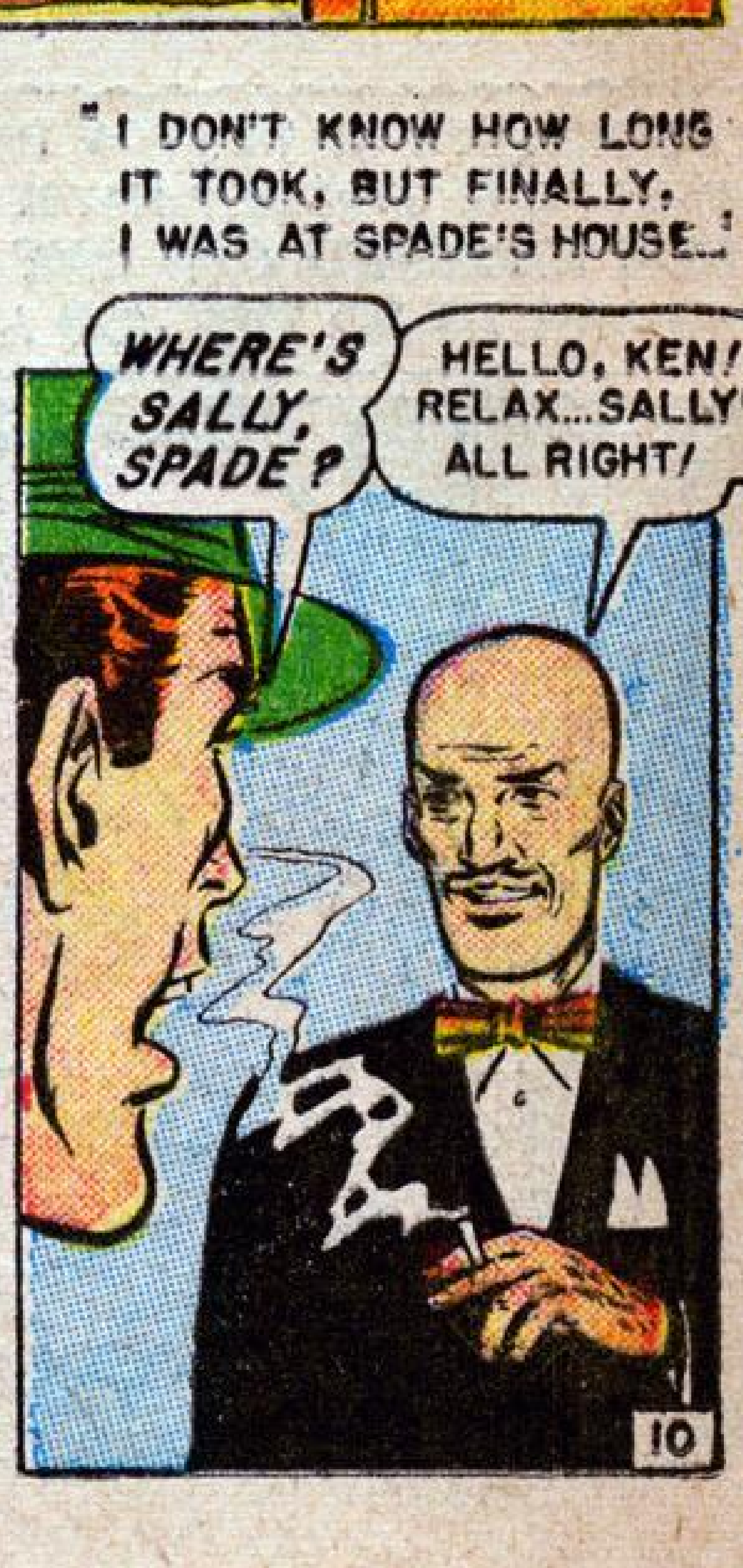

"ALTHOUGH SHE COULDN'T SEE TO WRITE, *SHE COULD TOUCH-TYPE...*"

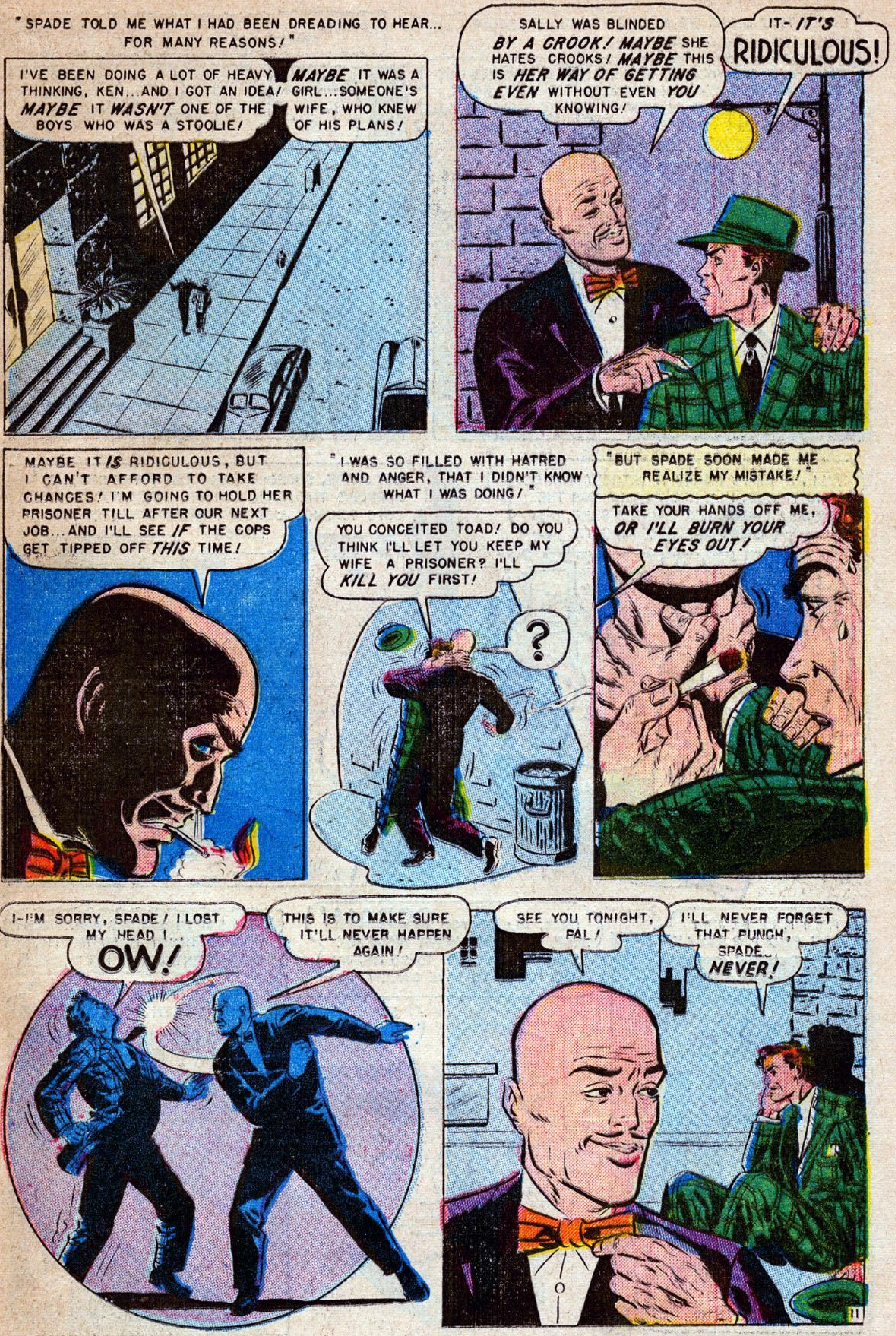
KEN DEAR,

SPADE DUNCAN CALLED AND SAID YOU WERE IN GREAT TROUBLE. SO I'M GOING TO TAKE A TAXI OVER TO SEE HIM. I'M LEAVING THIS NOTE IN CASE HIS STORY WAS A LIE AND THERE'S SOME SORT OF TROUBLE BREWING.

LOVE,
SALLY


"I COULD FEEL THE ANGRY SURGE OF BLOOD RUSH TO MY HEAD! I DIDN'T MIND GETTING MYSELF DIRTY BY MINGLING WITH A RAT LIKE SPADE... BUT I DIDN'T WANT SALLY TO BREATHE THE SAME AIR AS HE OR HIS MEN!"


"I DON'T KNOW HOW LONG IT TOOK, BUT FINALLY, I WAS AT SPADE'S HOUSE..."
WHERE'S SALLY, SPADE?
HELLO, KEN! RELAX...SALLY'S ALL RIGHT!


"SPADE TOLD ME WHAT I HAD BEEN DREADING TO HEAR... FOR MANY REASONS!"
I'VE BEEN DOING A LOT OF HEAVY THINKING, KEN... AND I GOT AN IDEA! *MAYBE* IT *WASN'T* ONE OF THE BOYS WHO WAS A STOOLIE!
MAYBE IT WAS A GIRL... SOMEONE'S WIFE, WHO KNEW OF HIS PLANS!
SALLY WAS BLINDED *BY A CROOK! MAYBE* SHE HATES CROOKS! *MAYBE* THIS IS *HER WAY OF GETTING EVEN* WITHOUT EVEN *YOU* KNOWING!
IT- *IT'S* RIDICULOUS!
MAYBE IT *IS* RIDICULOUS, BUT I CAN'T AFFORD TO TAKE CHANCES! I'M GOING TO HOLD HER PRISONER TILL AFTER OUR NEXT JOB... AND I'LL SEE *IF* THE COPS GET TIPPED OFF *THIS* TIME!
"I WAS SO FILLED WITH HATRED AND ANGER, THAT I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT I WAS DOING!"
YOU CONCEITED TOAD! DO YOU THINK I'LL LET YOU KEEP MY WIFE A PRISONER? I'LL *KILL YOU* FIRST!
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"BUT SPADE SOON MADE ME REALIZE MY MISTAKE!"
TAKE YOUR HANDS OFF ME, *OR I'LL BURN YOUR EYES OUT!*
I-I'M SORRY, SPADE! I LOST MY HEAD !... OW!
THIS IS TO MAKE SURE IT'LL NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN!
SEE YOU TONIGHT, PAL!
I'LL NEVER FORGET THAT PUNCH, SPADE... *NEVER!*
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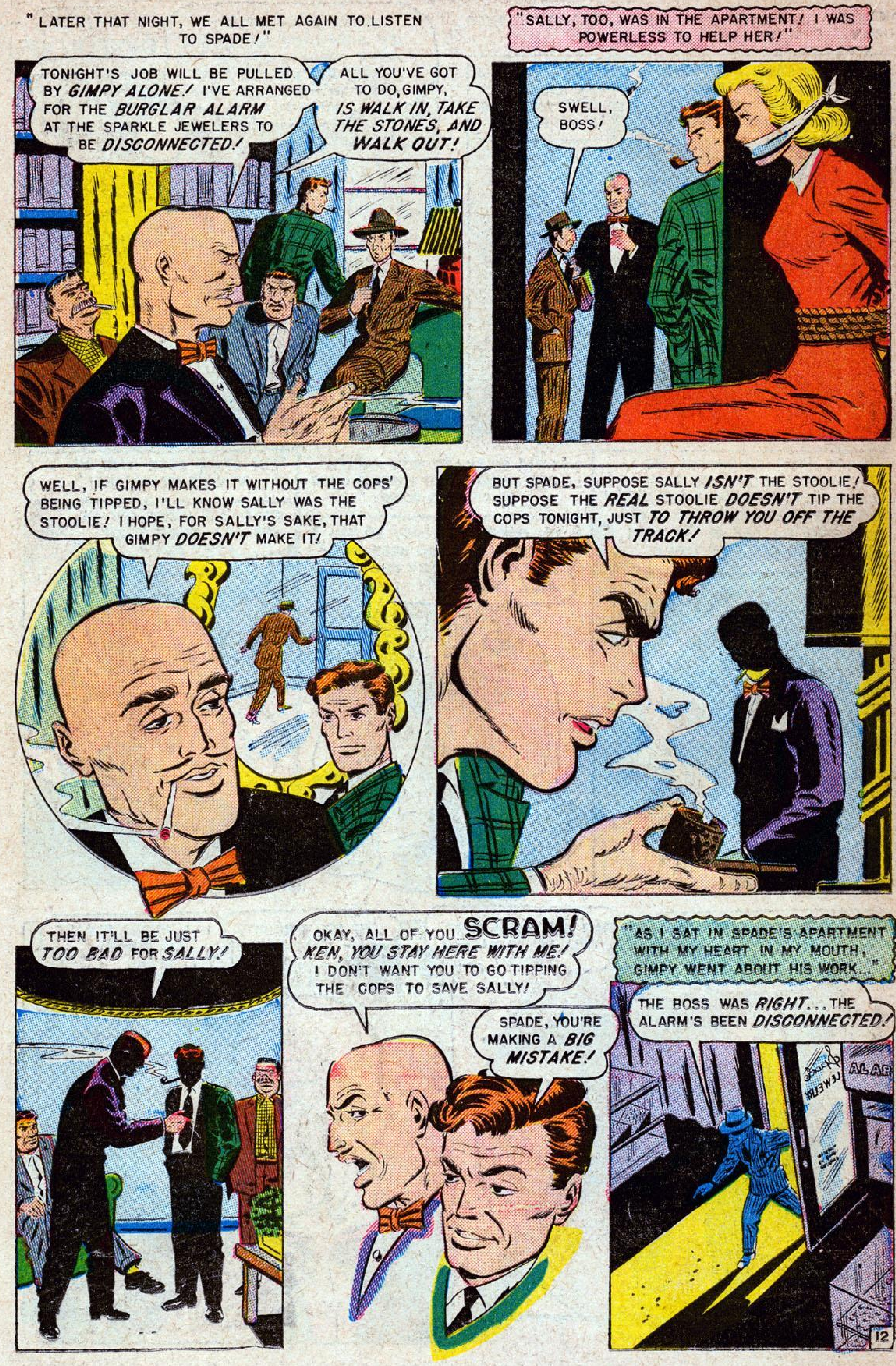
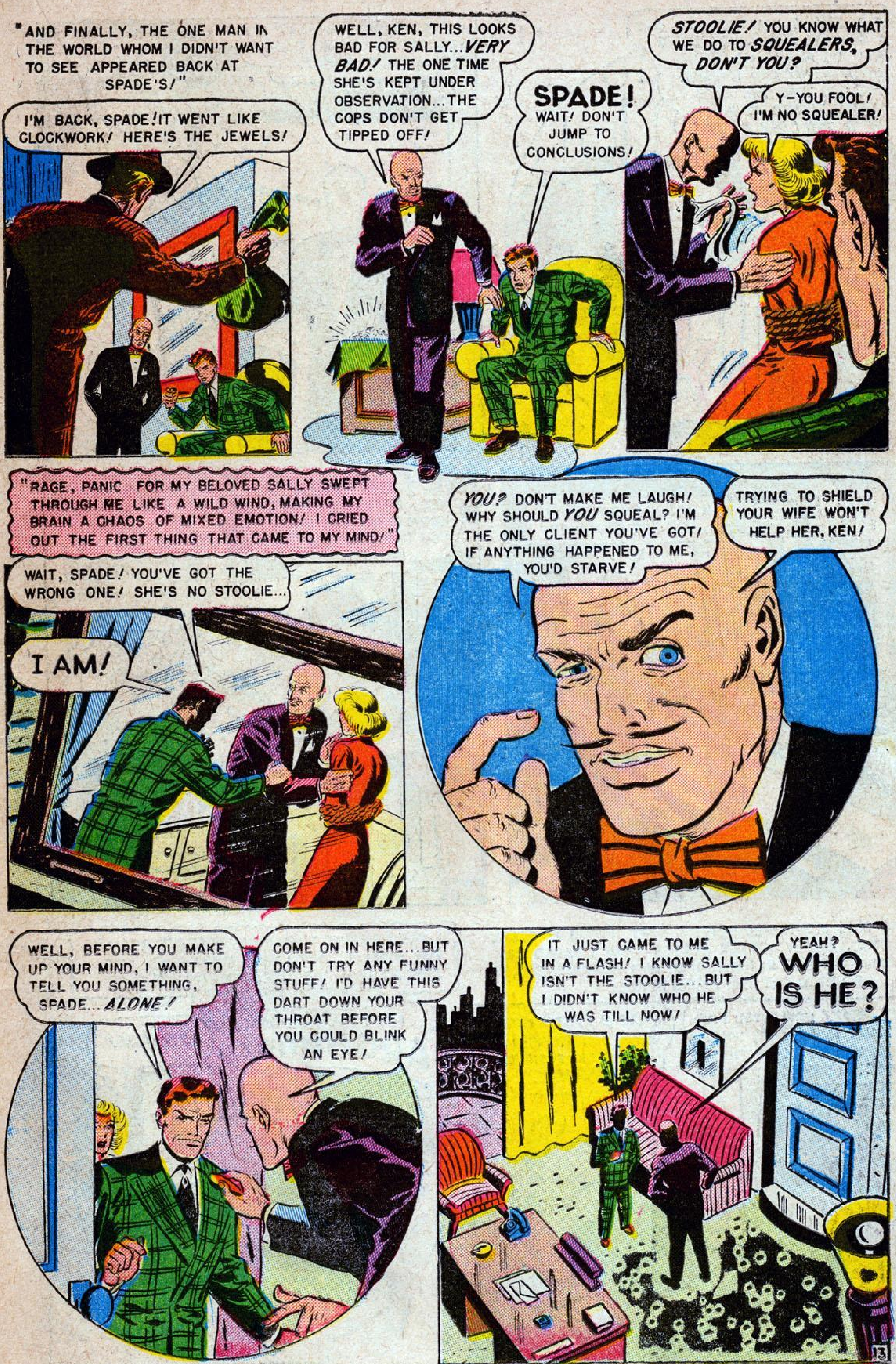
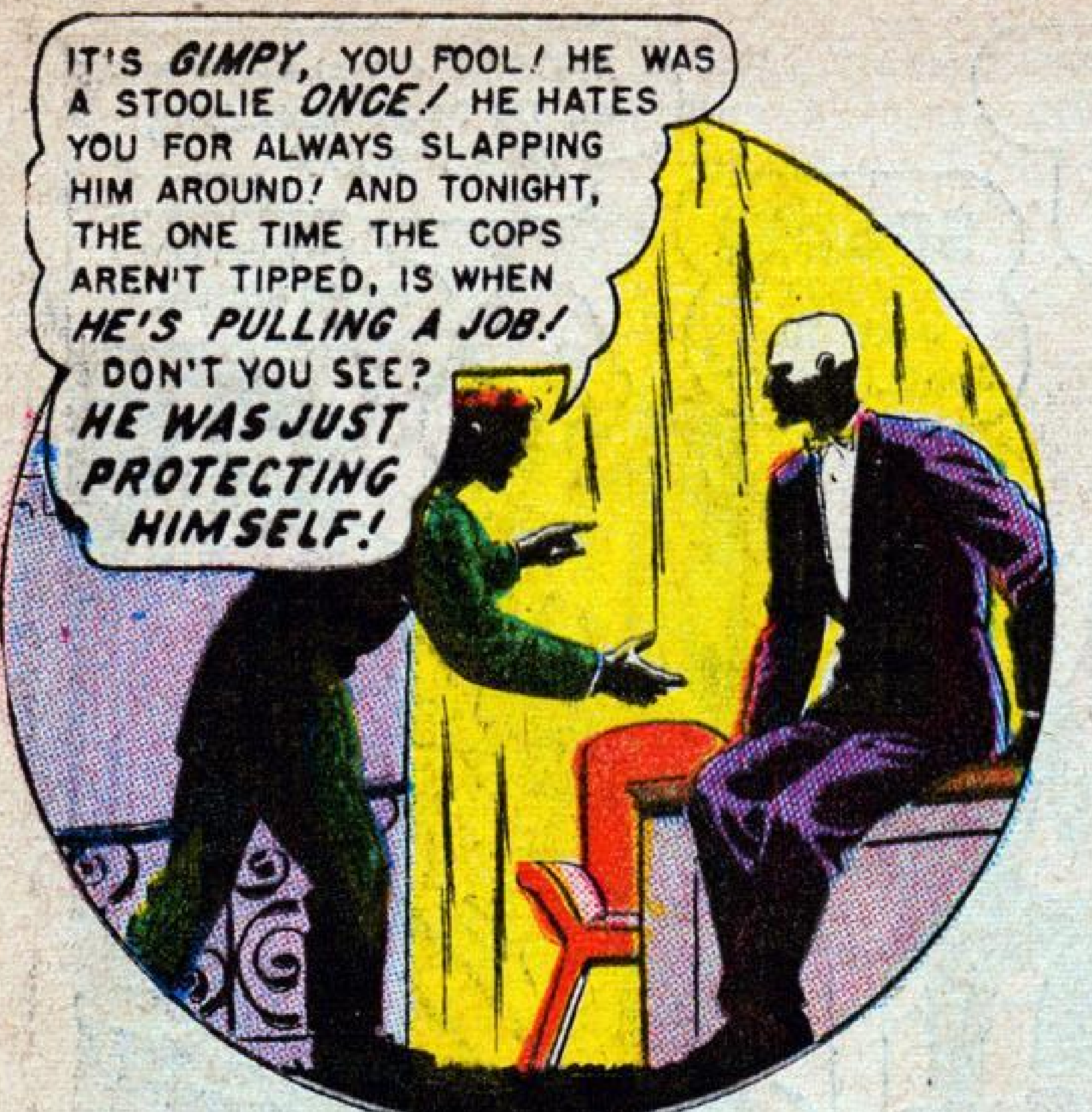
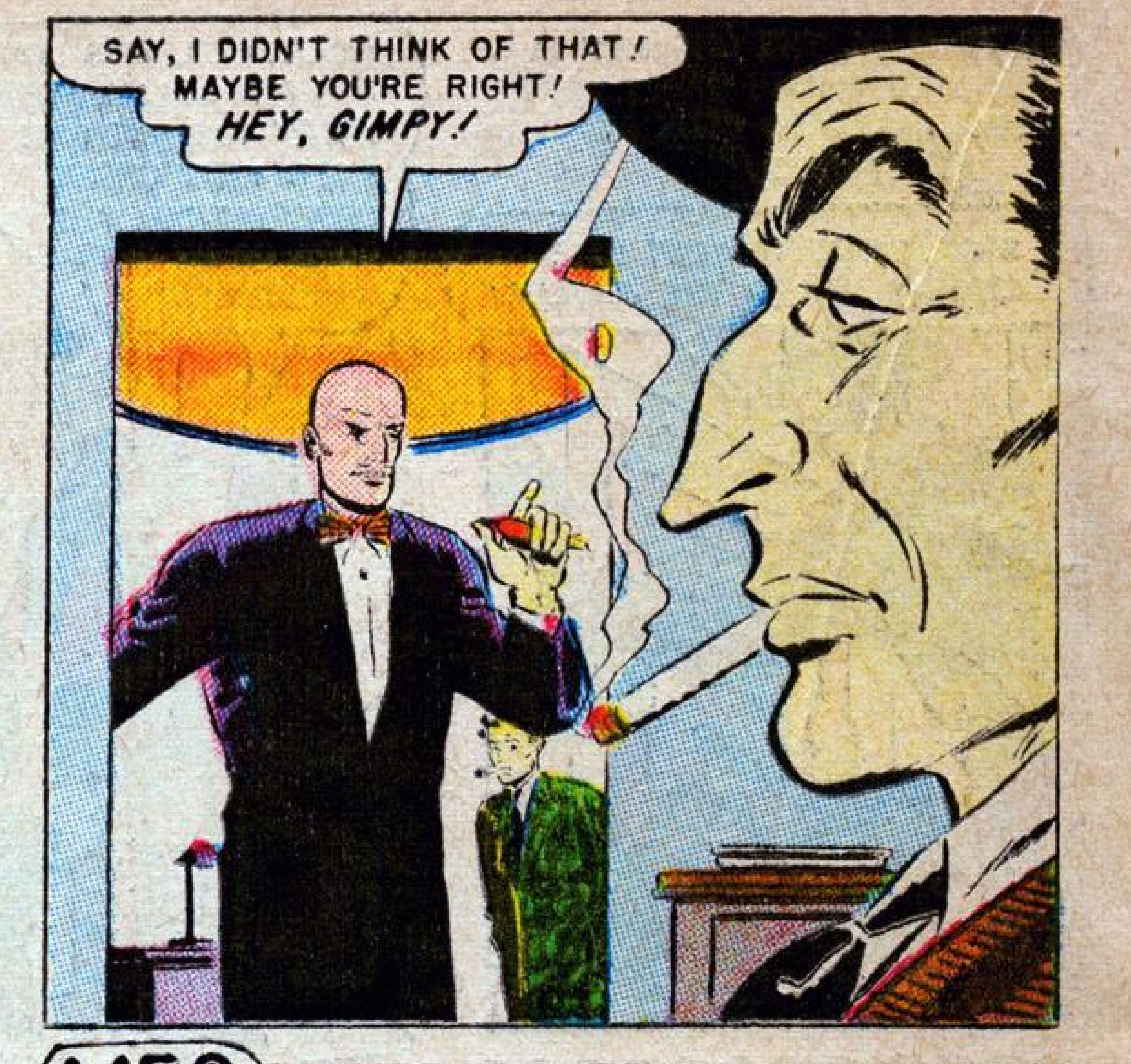
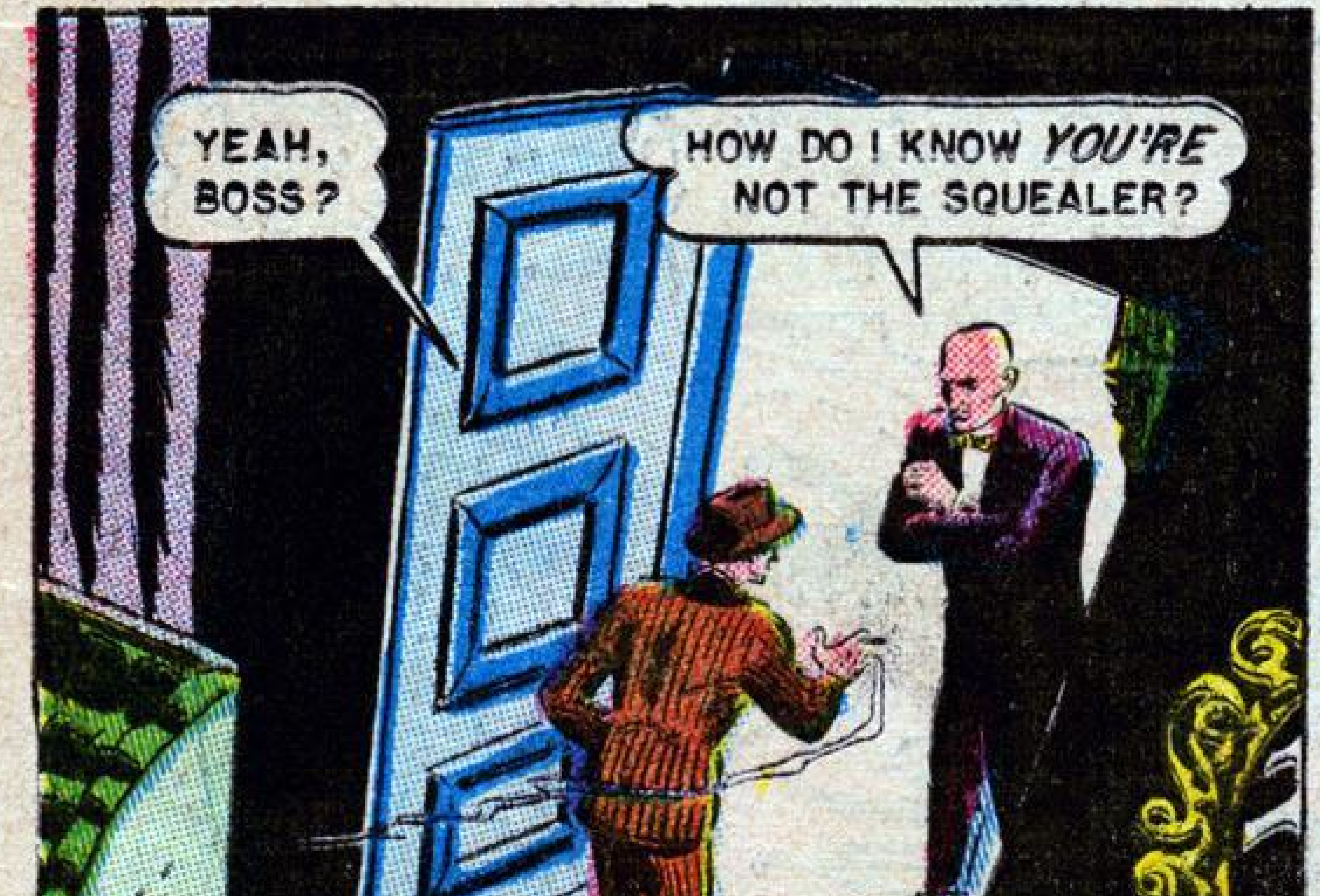
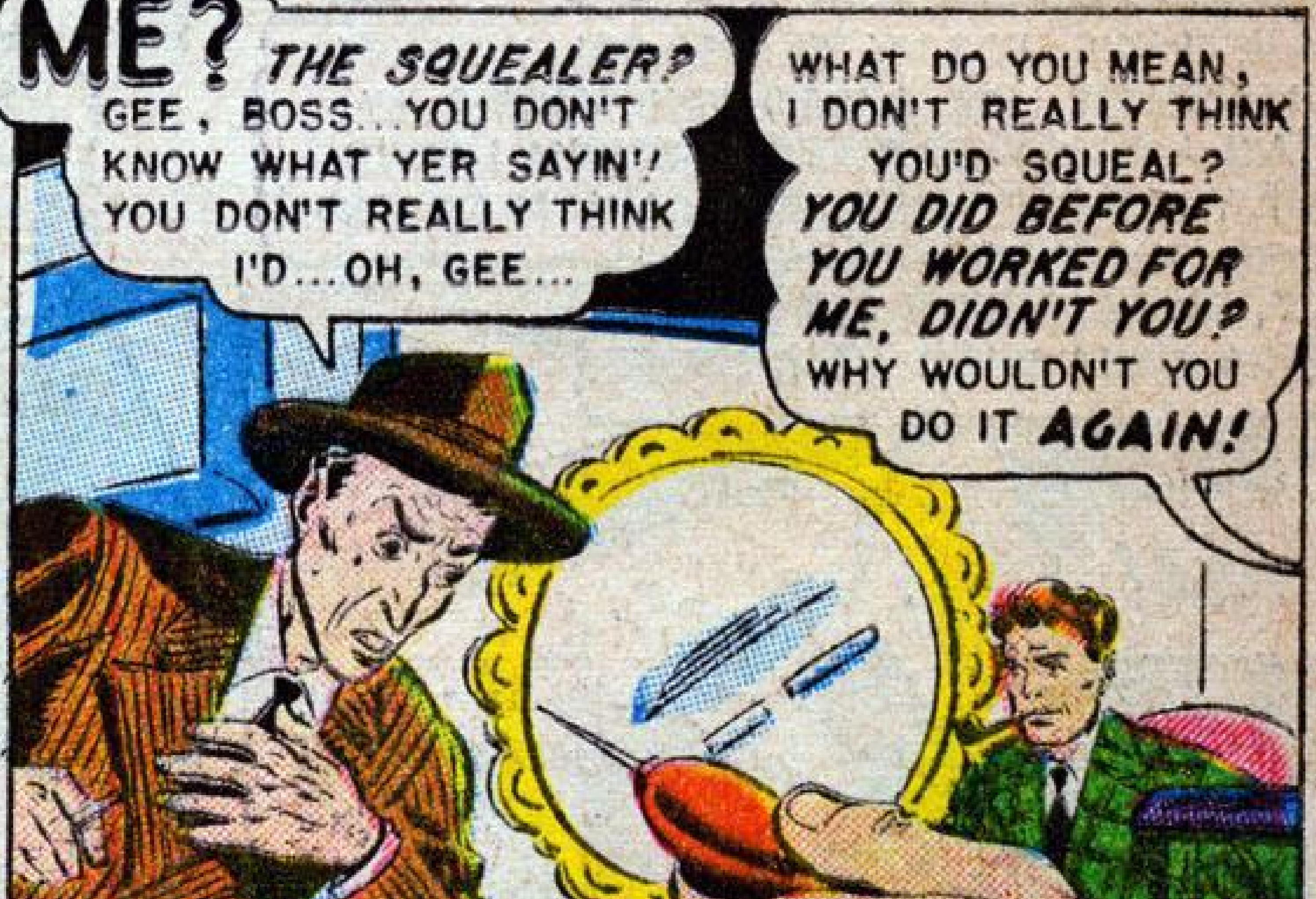

"LATER THAT NIGHT, WE ALL MET AGAIN TO LISTEN TO SPADE!"
TONIGHT'S JOB WILL BE PULLED BY GIMPY ALONE! I'VE ARRANGED FOR THE BURGLAR ALARM AT THE SPARKLE JEWELERS TO BE DISCONNECTED!
ALL YOU'VE GOT TO DO, GIMPY, IS WALK IN, TAKE THE STONES, AND WALK OUT!
"SALLY, TOO, WAS IN THE APARTMENT! I WAS POWERLESS TO HELP HER!"
SWELL, BOSS!
WELL, IF GIMPY MAKES IT WITHOUT THE COPS' BEING TIPPED, I'LL KNOW SALLY WAS THE STOOLIE! I HOPE, FOR SALLY'S SAKE, THAT GIMPY DOESN'T MAKE IT!
BUT SPADE, SUPPOSE SALLY ISN'T THE STOOLIE! SUPPOSE THE REAL STOOLIE DOESN'T TIP THE COPS TONIGHT, JUST TO THROW YOU OFF THE TRACK!
THEN IT'LL BE JUST TOO BAD FOR SALLY!
OKAY, ALL OF YOU... SCRAM! KEN, YOU STAY HERE WITH ME! I DON'T WANT YOU TO GO TIPPING THE COPS TO SAVE SALLY!
SPADE, YOU'RE MAKING A BIG MISTAKE!
"AS I SAT IN SPADE'S APARTMENT WITH MY HEART IN MY MOUTH, GIMPY WENT ABOUT HIS WORK..."
THE BOSS WAS RIGHT... THE ALARM'S BEEN DISCONNECTED!
Sparkle JEWELER
ALAR


"AND FINALLY, THE ONE MAN IN THE WORLD WHOM I DIDN'T WANT TO SEE APPEARED BACK AT SPADE'S!"
I'M BACK, SPADE! IT WENT LIKE CLOCKWORK! HERE'S THE JEWELS!
WELL, KEN, THIS LOOKS BAD FOR SALLY...*VERY BAD!* THE ONE TIME SHE'S KEPT UNDER OBSERVATION...THE COPS DON'T GET TIPPED OFF!
SPADE! WAIT! DON'T JUMP TO CONCLUSIONS!
STOOLIE! YOU KNOW WHAT WE DO TO *SQUEALERS, DON'T YOU?*
Y-YOU FOOL! I'M NO SQUEALER!
"RAGE, PANIC FOR MY BELOVED SALLY SWEPT THROUGH ME LIKE A WILD WIND, MAKING MY BRAIN A CHAOS OF MIXED EMOTION! I CRIED OUT THE FIRST THING THAT CAME TO MY MIND!"
WAIT, SPADE! YOU'VE GOT THE WRONG ONE! SHE'S NO STOOLIE...
I AM!
YOU? DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH! WHY SHOULD *YOU* SQUEAL? I'M THE ONLY CLIENT YOU'VE GOT! IF ANYTHING HAPPENED TO ME, YOU'D STARVE!
TRYING TO SHIELD YOUR WIFE WON'T HELP HER, KEN!
WELL, BEFORE YOU MAKE UP YOUR MIND, I WANT TO TELL YOU SOMETHING, SPADE... *ALONE!*
COME ON IN HERE... BUT DON'T TRY ANY FUNNY STUFF! I'D HAVE THIS DART DOWN YOUR THROAT BEFORE YOU COULD BLINK AN EYE!
IT JUST CAME TO ME IN A FLASH! I KNOW SALLY ISN'T THE STOOLIE... BUT I DIDN'T KNOW WHO HE WAS TILL NOW!
YEAH? WHO IS HE?


IT'S *GIMPY*, YOU FOOL! HE WAS A STOOLIE *ONCE!* HE HATES YOU FOR ALWAYS SLAPPING HIM AROUND! AND TONIGHT, THE ONE TIME THE COPS AREN'T TIPPED, IS WHEN *HE'S PULLING A JOB!* DON'T YOU SEE? **HE WAS JUST PROTECTING HIMSELF!**

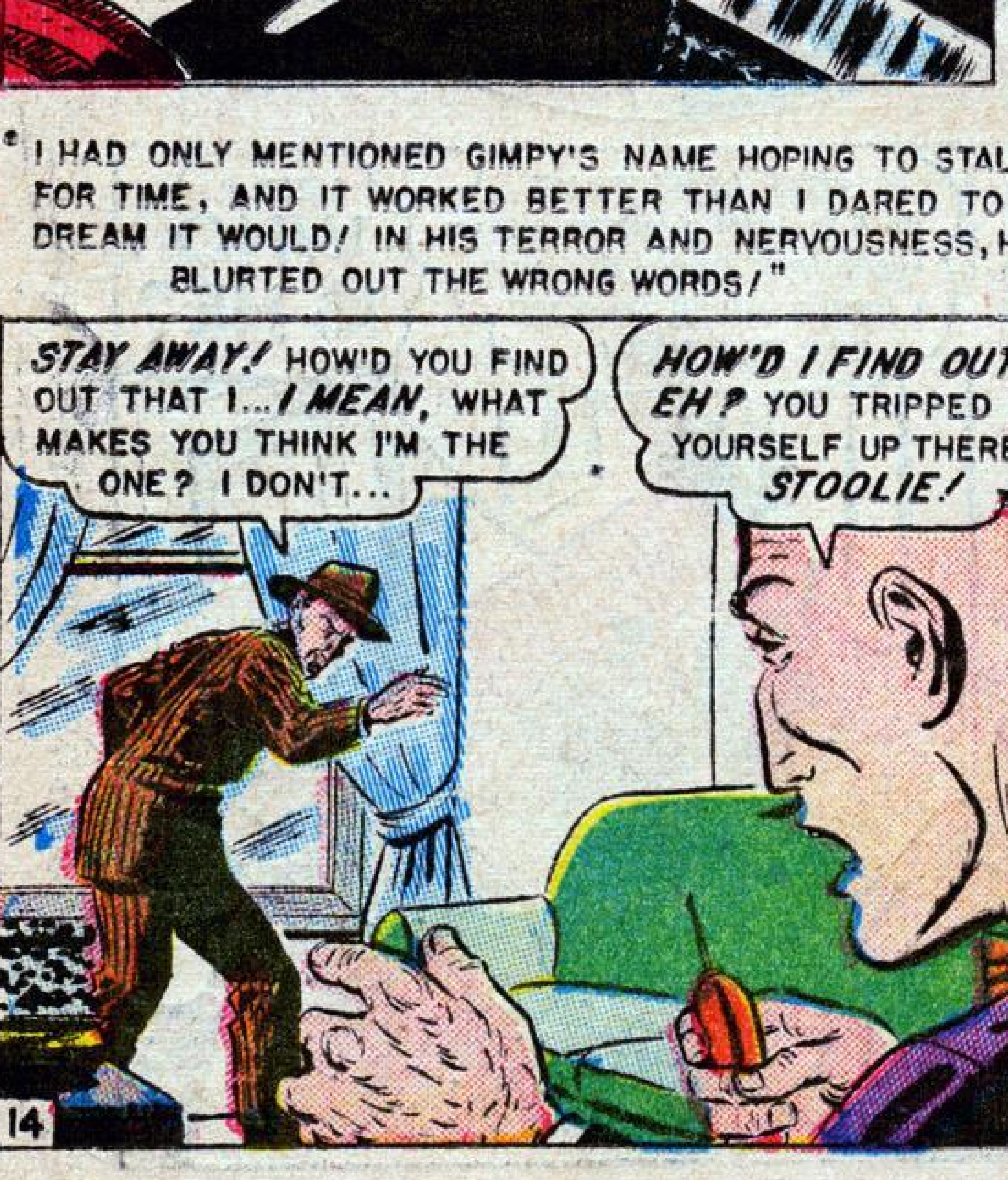

SAY, I DIDN'T THINK OF THAT! MAYBE YOU'RE RIGHT! *HEY, GIMPY!*

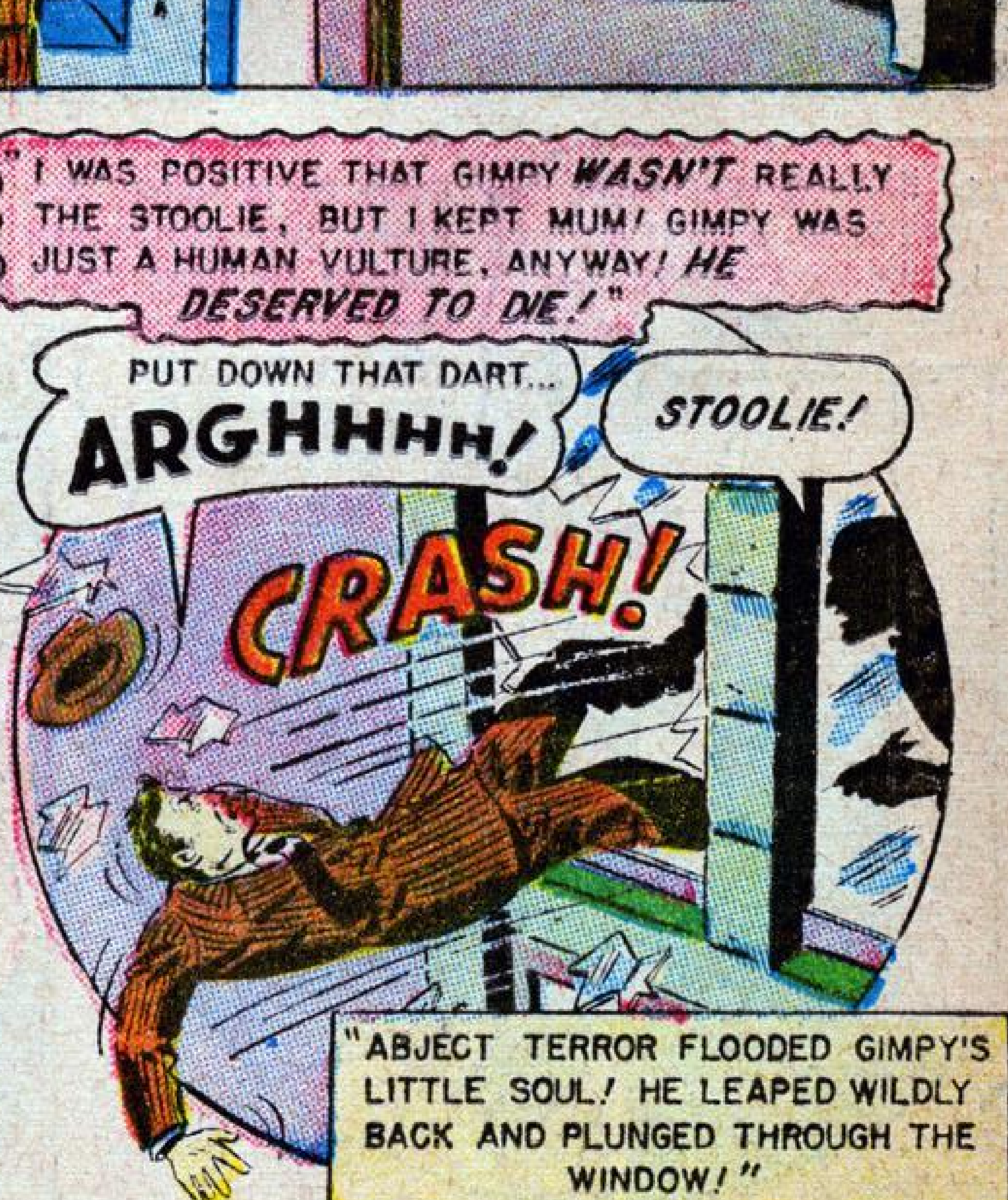

YEAH, BOSS?
HOW DO I KNOW *YOU'RE* NOT THE SQUEALER?

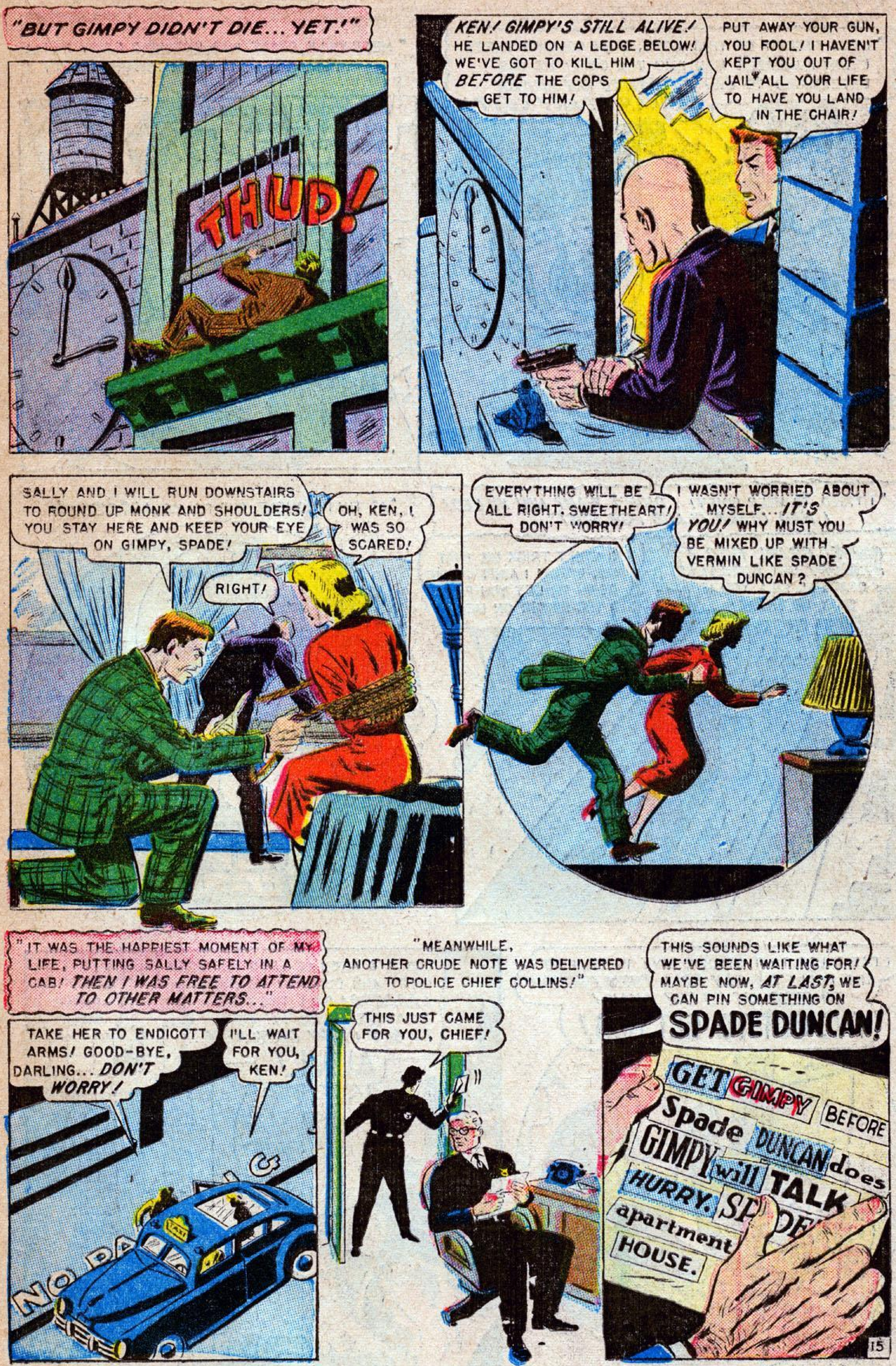

ME? *THE SQUEALER?* GEE, BOSS... YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YER SAYIN'! YOU DON'T REALLY THINK I'D... OH, GEE...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, I DON'T REALLY THINK YOU'D SQUEAL? *YOU DID BEFORE YOU WORKED FOR ME, DIDN'T YOU?* WHY WOULDN'T YOU DO IT **AGAIN!**

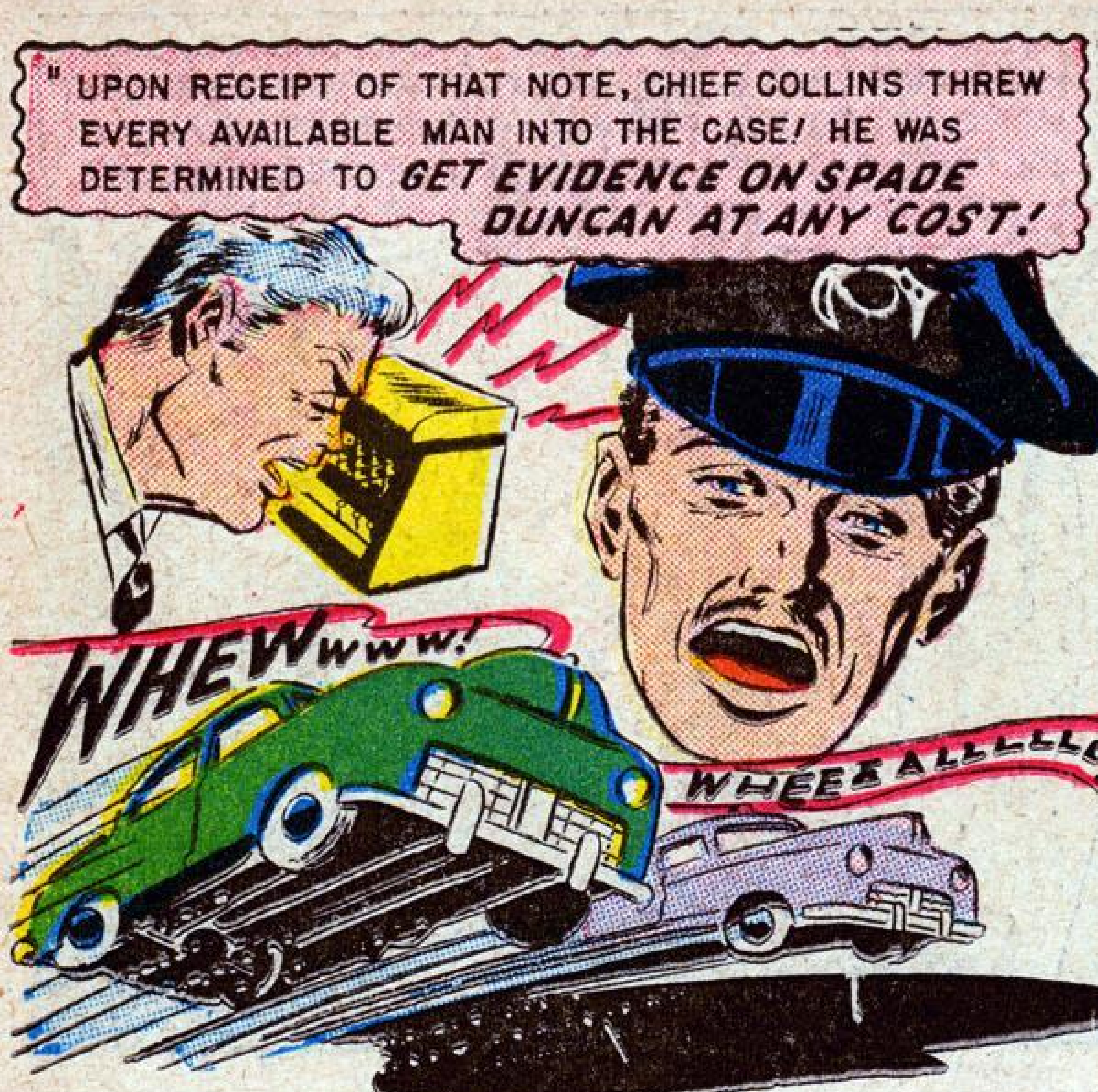
"I HAD ONLY MENTIONED GIMPY'S NAME HOPING TO STALL FOR TIME, AND IT WORKED BETTER THAN I DARED TO DREAM IT WOULD! IN HIS TERROR AND NERVOUSNESS, HE BLURTED OUT THE WRONG WORDS!"

"I WAS POSITIVE THAT GIMPY *WASN'T* REALLY THE STOOLIE, BUT I KEPT MUM! GIMPY WAS JUST A HUMAN VULTURE, ANYWAY! *HE DESERVED TO DIE!*"

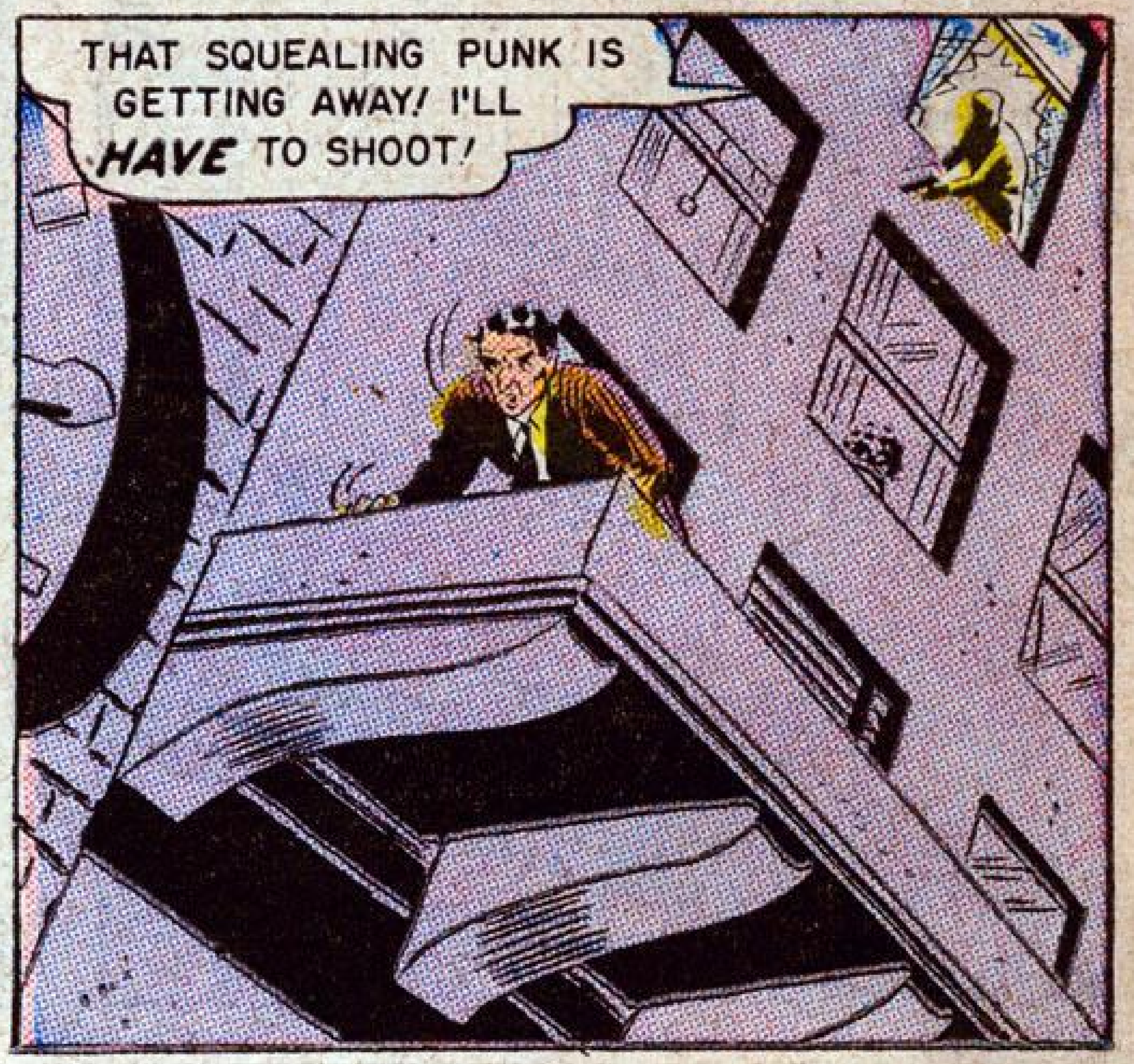

STAY AWAY! HOW'D YOU FIND OUT THAT I... *I MEAN*, WHAT MAKES YOU THINK I'M THE ONE? I DON'T...
HOW'D I FIND OUT, EH? YOU TRIPPED YOURSELF UP THERE, *STOOLIE!*

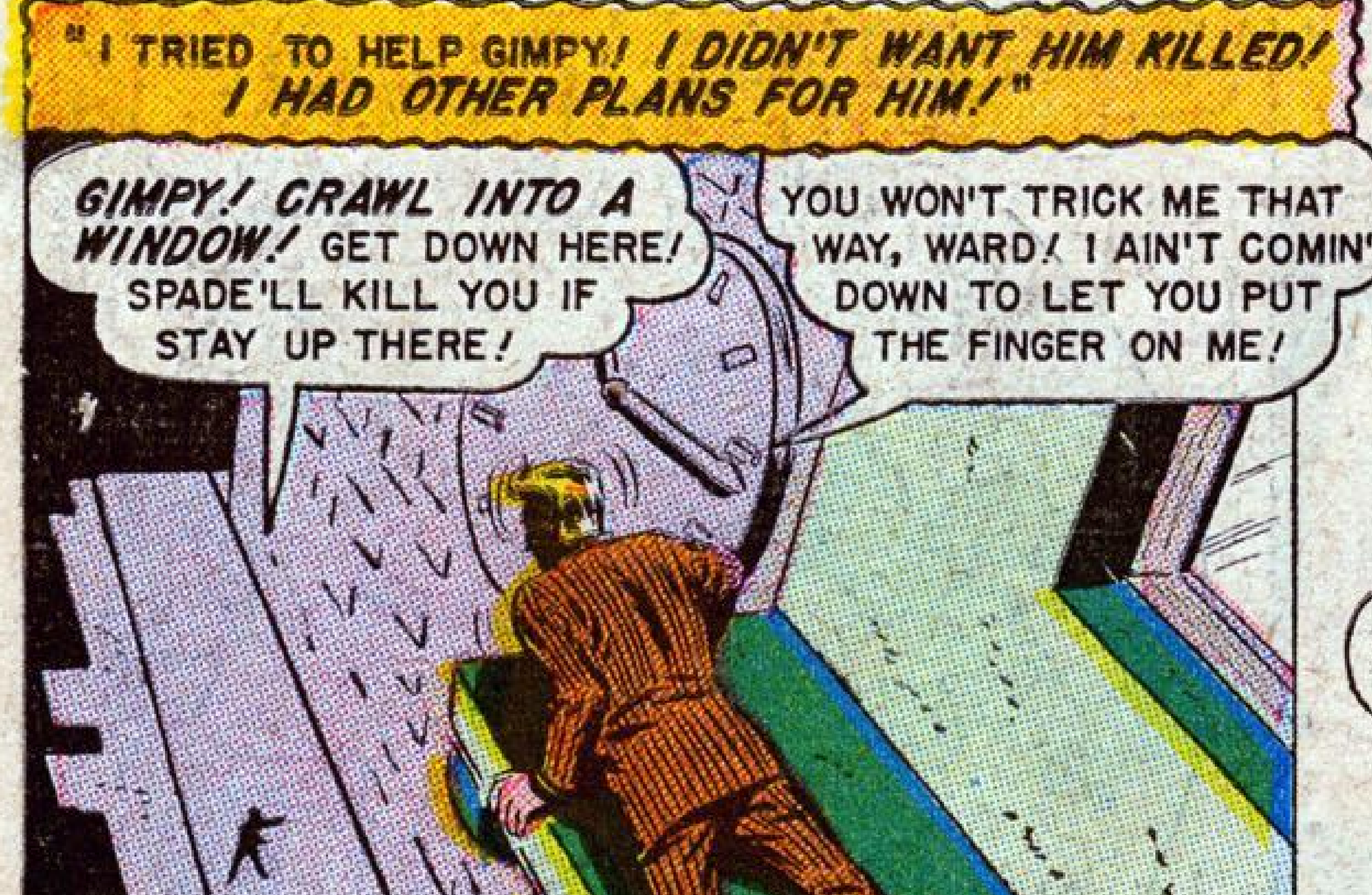

PUT DOWN THAT DART... **ARGHHHH!**
STOOLIE!
CRASH!
"ABJECT TERROR FLOODED GIMPY'S LITTLE SOUL! HE LEAPED WILDLY BACK AND PLUNGED THROUGH THE WINDOW!"


"BUT GIMPY DIDN'T DIE... YET!"
THUD!
KEN! GIMPY'S STILL ALIVE! HE LANDED ON A LEDGE BELOW! WE'VE GOT TO KILL HIM *BEFORE* THE COPS GET TO HIM!
PUT AWAY YOUR GUN, YOU FOOL! I HAVEN'T KEPT YOU OUT OF JAIL ALL YOUR LIFE TO HAVE YOU LAND IN THE CHAIR!
SALLY AND I WILL RUN DOWNSTAIRS TO ROUND UP MONK AND SHOULDERS! YOU STAY HERE AND KEEP YOUR EYE ON GIMPY, SPADE!
OH, KEN, I WAS SO SCARED!
RIGHT!
EVERYTHING WILL BE ALL RIGHT, SWEETHEART! DON'T WORRY!
I WASN'T WORRIED ABOUT MYSELF... *IT'S YOU!* WHY MUST YOU BE MIXED UP WITH VERMIN LIKE SPADE DUNCAN?
"IT WAS THE HAPPIEST MOMENT OF MY LIFE, PUTTING SALLY SAFELY IN A CAB! *THEN I WAS FREE TO ATTEND TO OTHER MATTERS...*"
TAKE HER TO ENDICOTT ARMS! GOOD-BYE, DARLING... *DON'T WORRY!*
I'LL WAIT FOR YOU, KEN!
NO PA
TAXI
"MEANWHILE, ANOTHER CRUDE NOTE WAS DELIVERED TO POLICE CHIEF COLLINS!"
THIS JUST CAME FOR YOU, CHIEF!
THIS SOUNDS LIKE WHAT WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR! MAYBE NOW, *AT LAST*, WE CAN PIN SOMETHING ON **SPADE DUNCAN!**
GET GIMPY BEFORE Spade DUNCAN does GIMPY will TALK HURRY. SPADE apartment HOUSE.

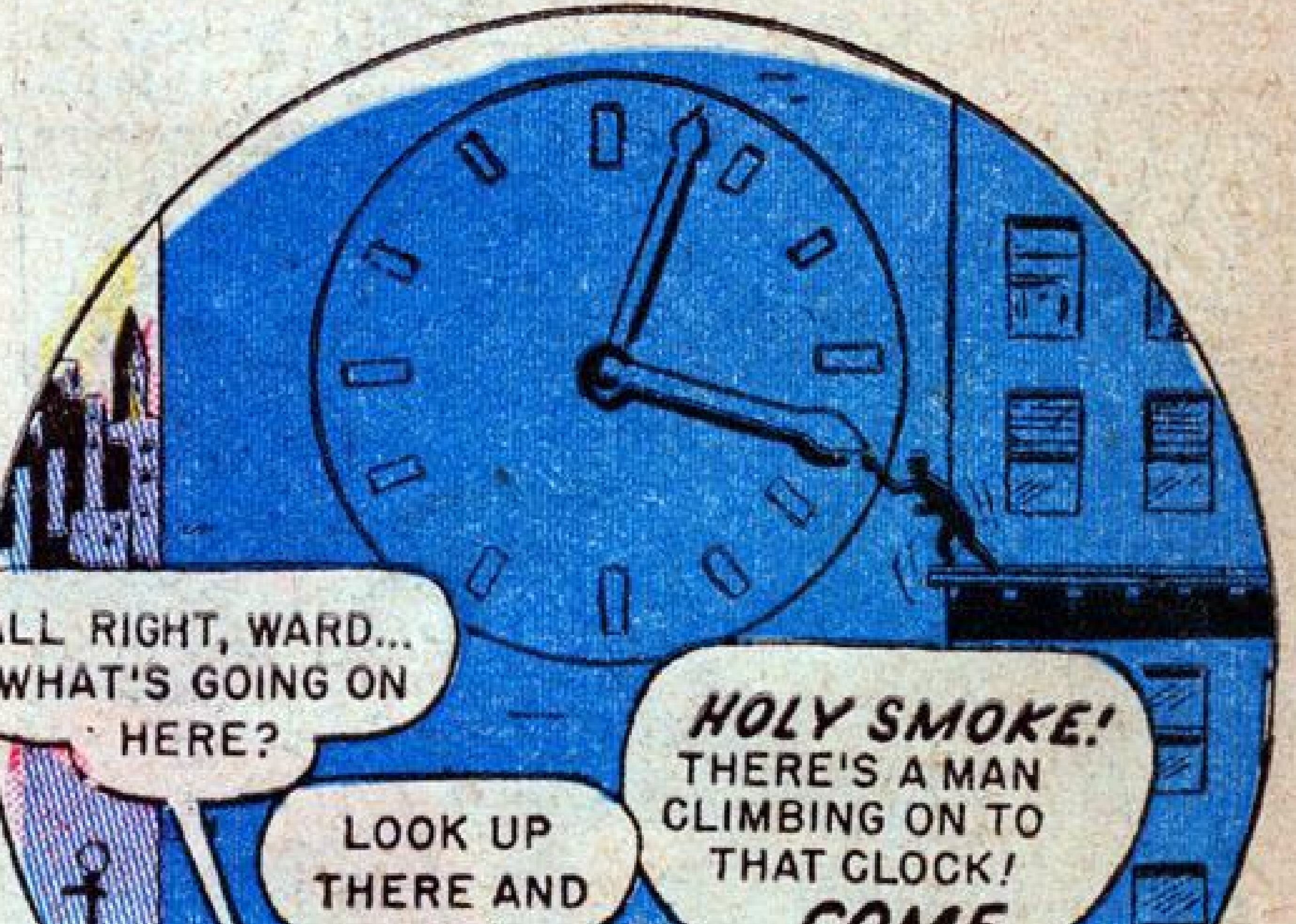

"UPON RECEIPT OF THAT NOTE, CHIEF COLLINS THREW EVERY AVAILABLE MAN INTO THE CASE! HE WAS DETERMINED TO *GET EVIDENCE ON SPADE DUNCAN AT ANY COST!*
WHEWwww!
WHEEEEALLLLLL!

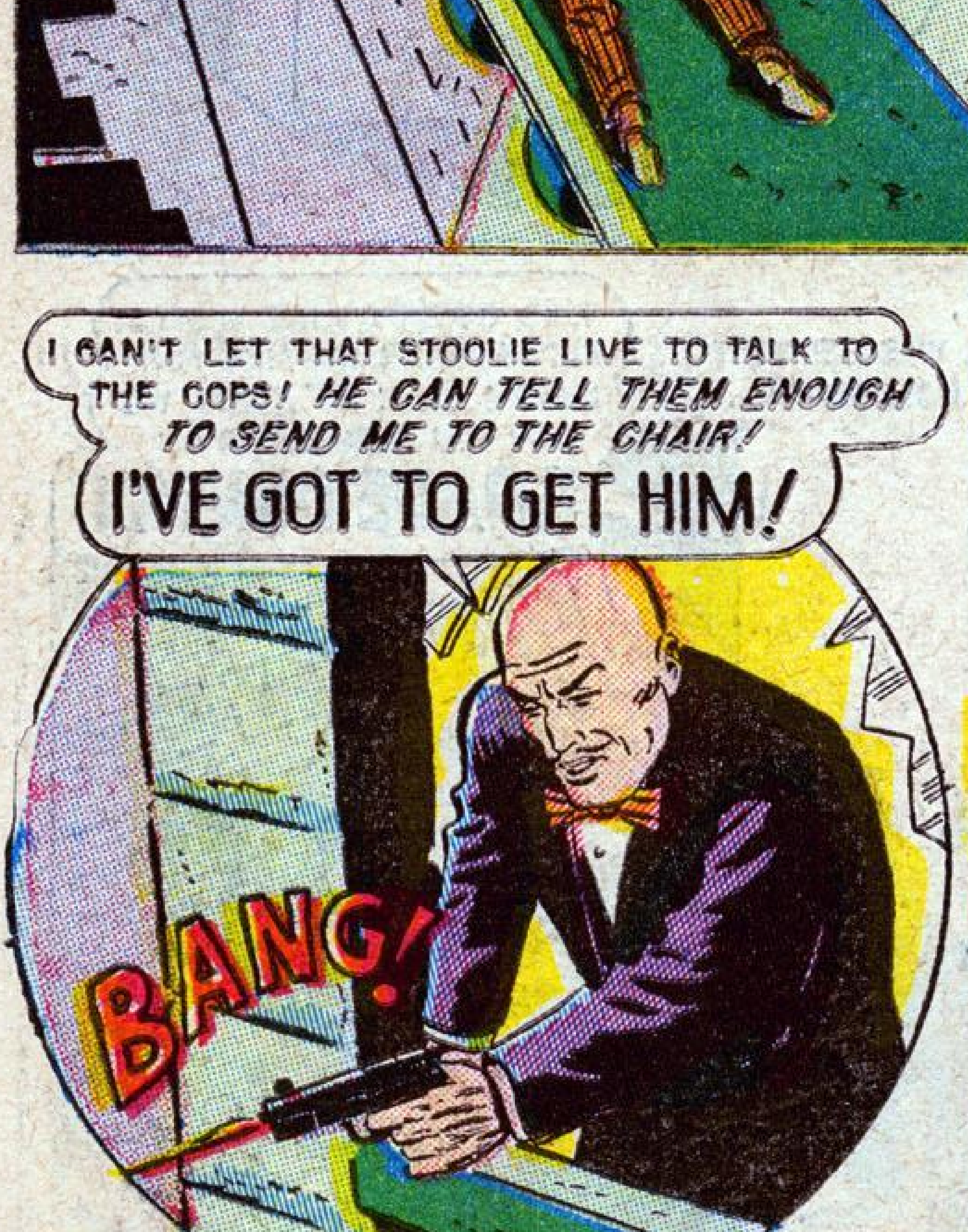
"MEANWHILE, SPADE WAS WATCHING GIMPY CRAWL FURTHER AND FURTHER TOWARD SAFETY..."

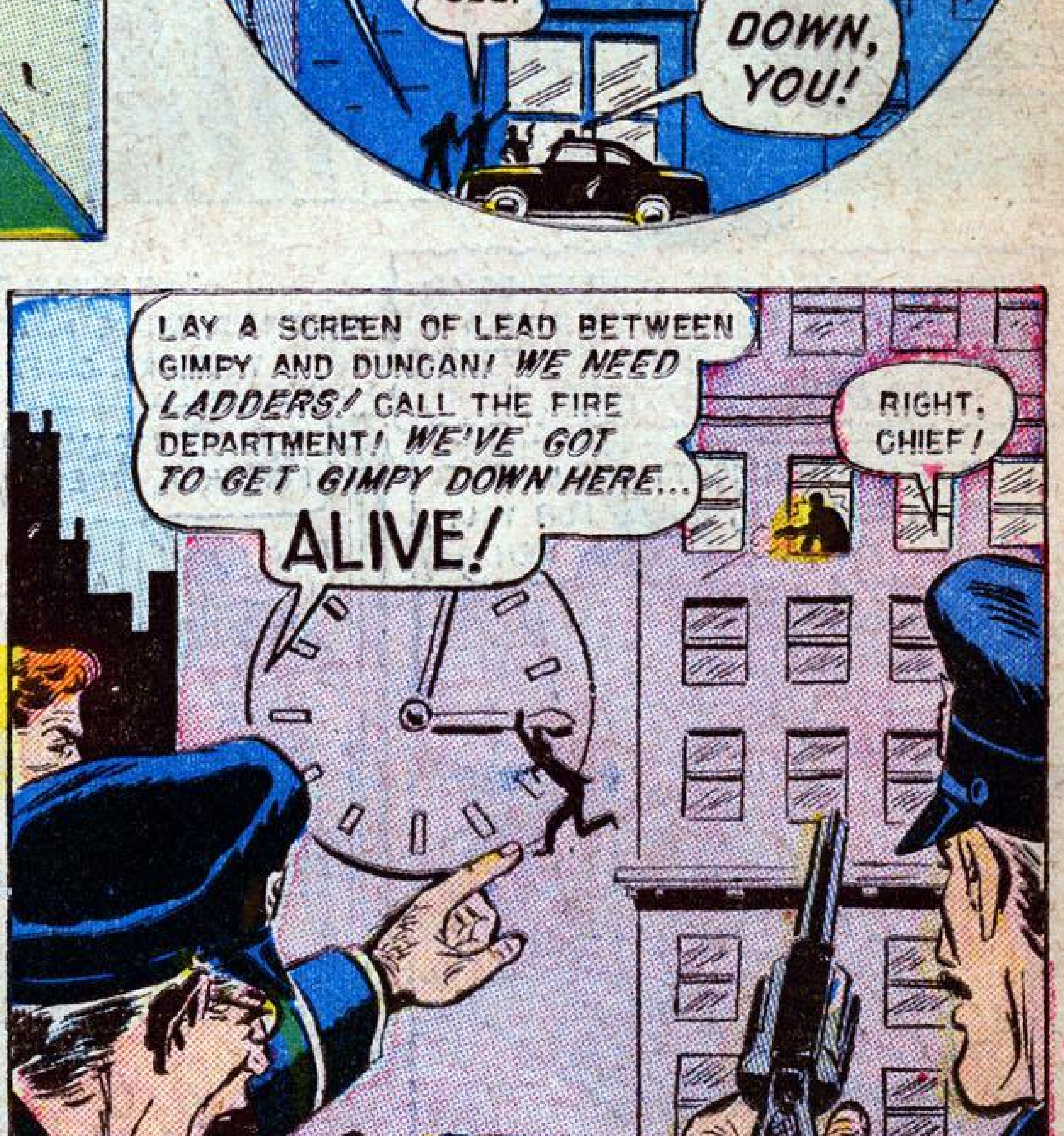

THAT SQUEALING PUNK IS GETTING AWAY! I'LL *HAVE* TO SHOOT!

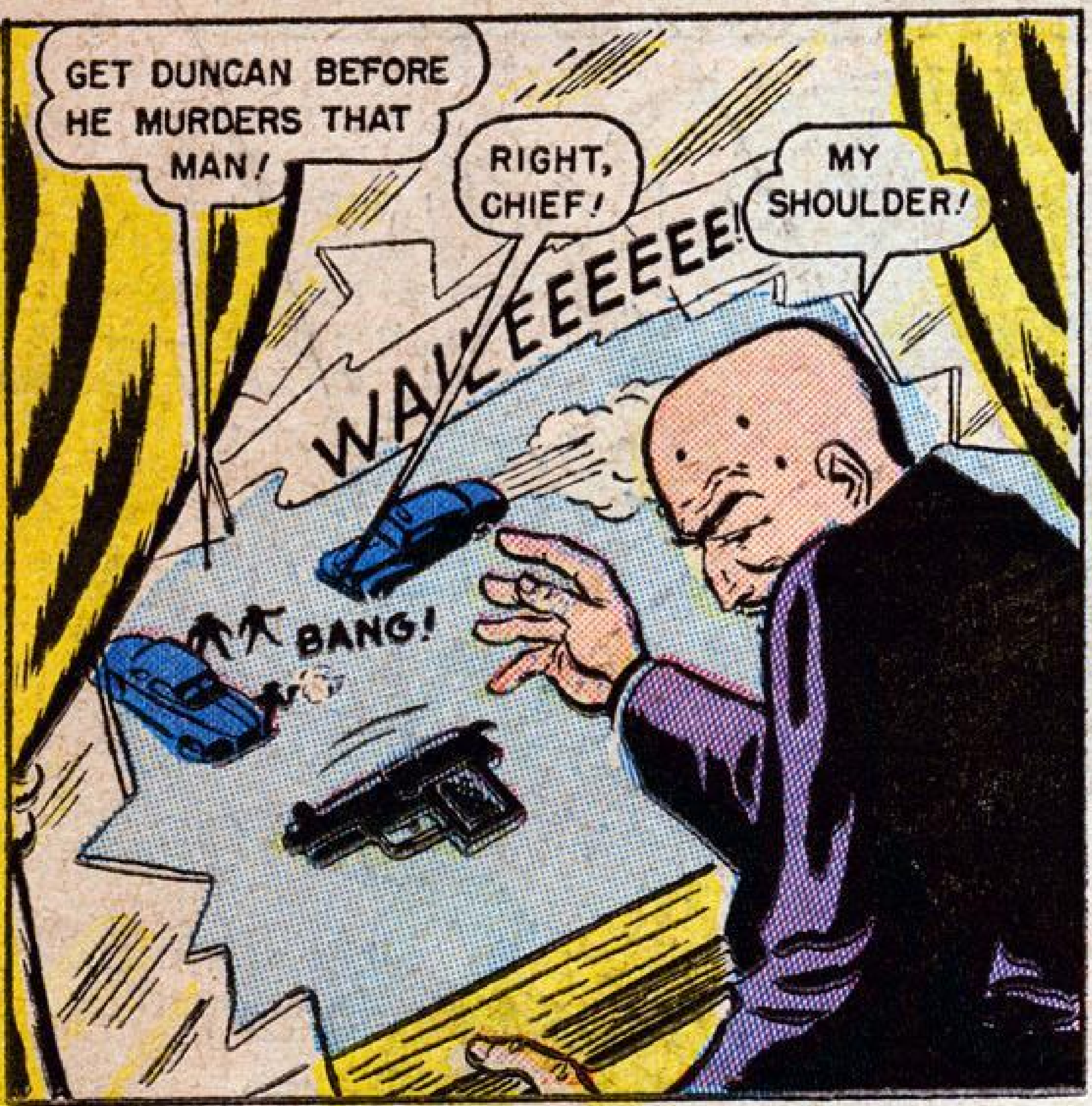

"I TRIED TO HELP GIMPY! *I DIDN'T WANT HIM KILLED! I HAD OTHER PLANS FOR HIM!*"
GIMPY! CRAWL INTO A WINDOW! GET DOWN HERE! SPADE'LL KILL YOU IF STAY UP THERE!
YOU WON'T TRICK ME THAT WAY, WARD! I AIN'T COMIN' DOWN TO LET YOU PUT THE FINGER ON ME!

"AT THAT MOMENT, THE POLICE *ARRIVED!*"

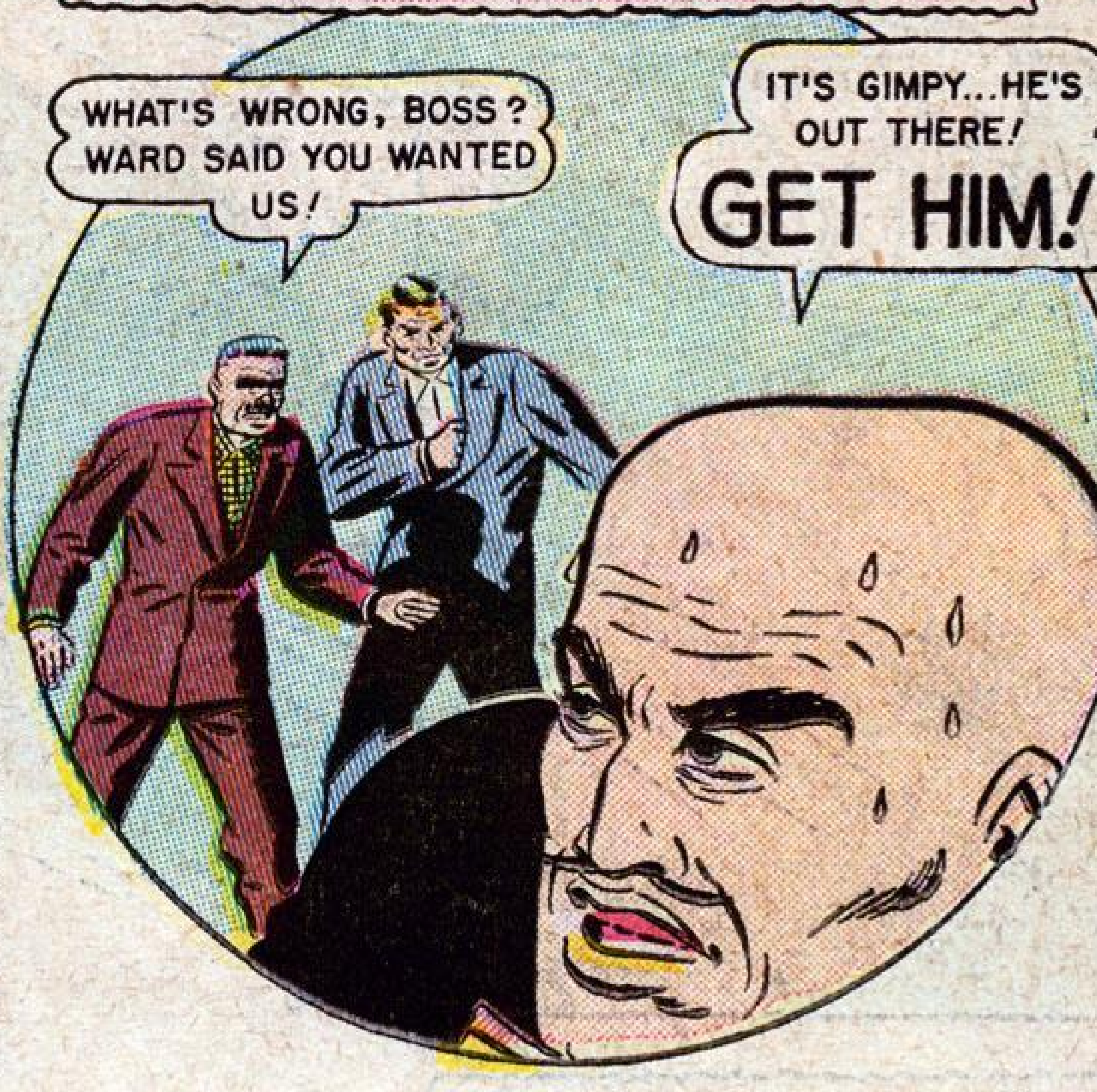

ALL RIGHT, WARD... WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?
LOOK UP THERE AND SEE!
HOLY SMOKE! THERE'S A MAN CLIMBING ON TO THAT CLOCK! *COME DOWN, YOU!*


I CAN'T LET THAT STOOLIE LIVE TO TALK TO THE COPS! *HE CAN TELL THEM ENOUGH TO SEND ME TO THE CHAIR!* I'VE GOT TO GET HIM!
BANG!

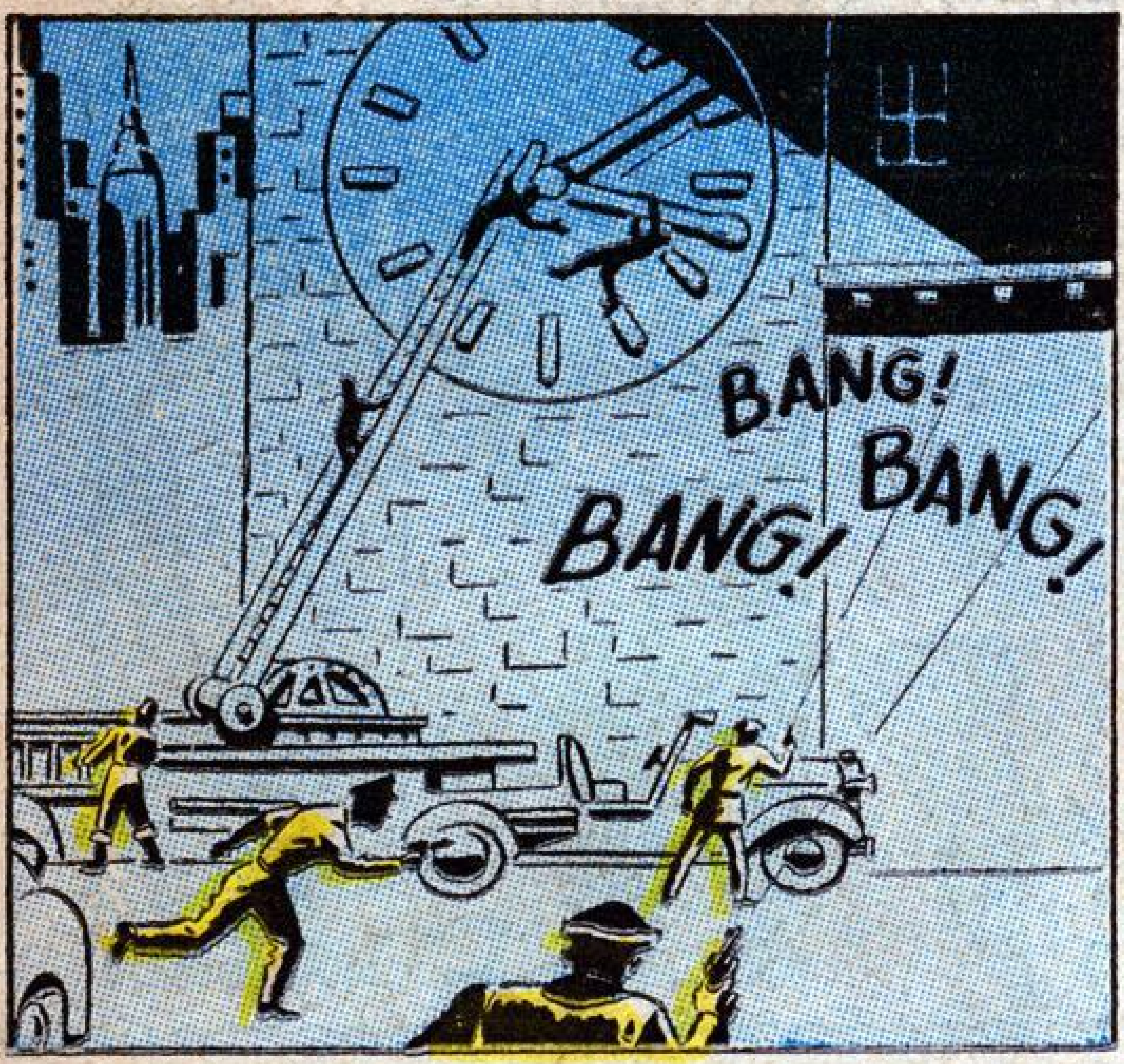

LAY A SCREEN OF LEAD BETWEEN GIMPY AND DUNCAN! *WE NEED LADDERS!* CALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENT! *WE'VE GOT TO GET GIMPY DOWN HERE...* ALIVE!
RIGHT, CHIEF!


GET DUNCAN BEFORE HE MURDERS THAT MAN!
RIGHT, CHIEF!
MY SHOULDER!
WAHEEEEEE!
BANG!

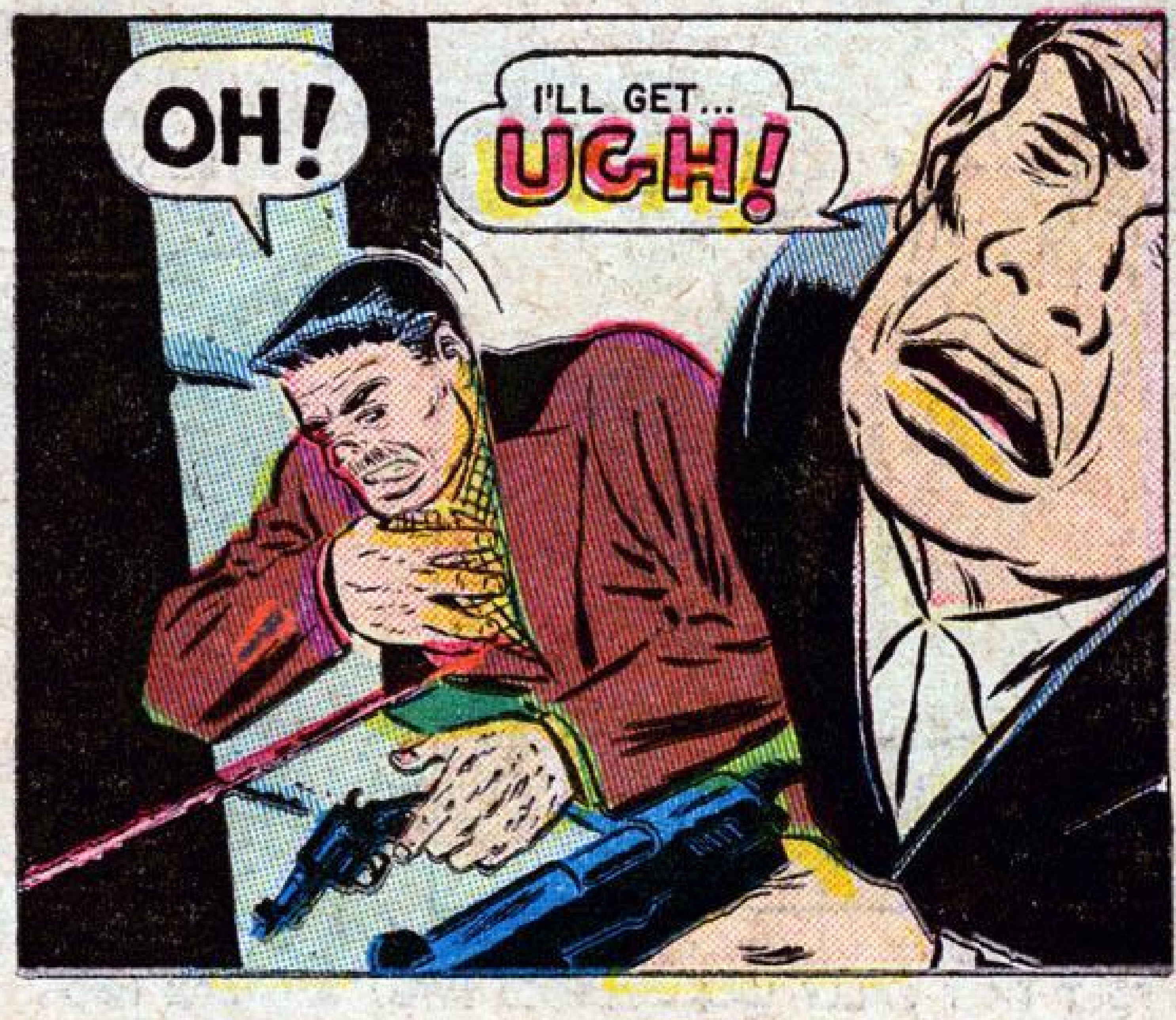
"AND THEN, IN RUSHED THE OTHER TWO..."


WHAT'S WRONG, BOSS? WARD SAID YOU WANTED US!
IT'S GIMPY...HE'S OUT THERE! GET HIM!

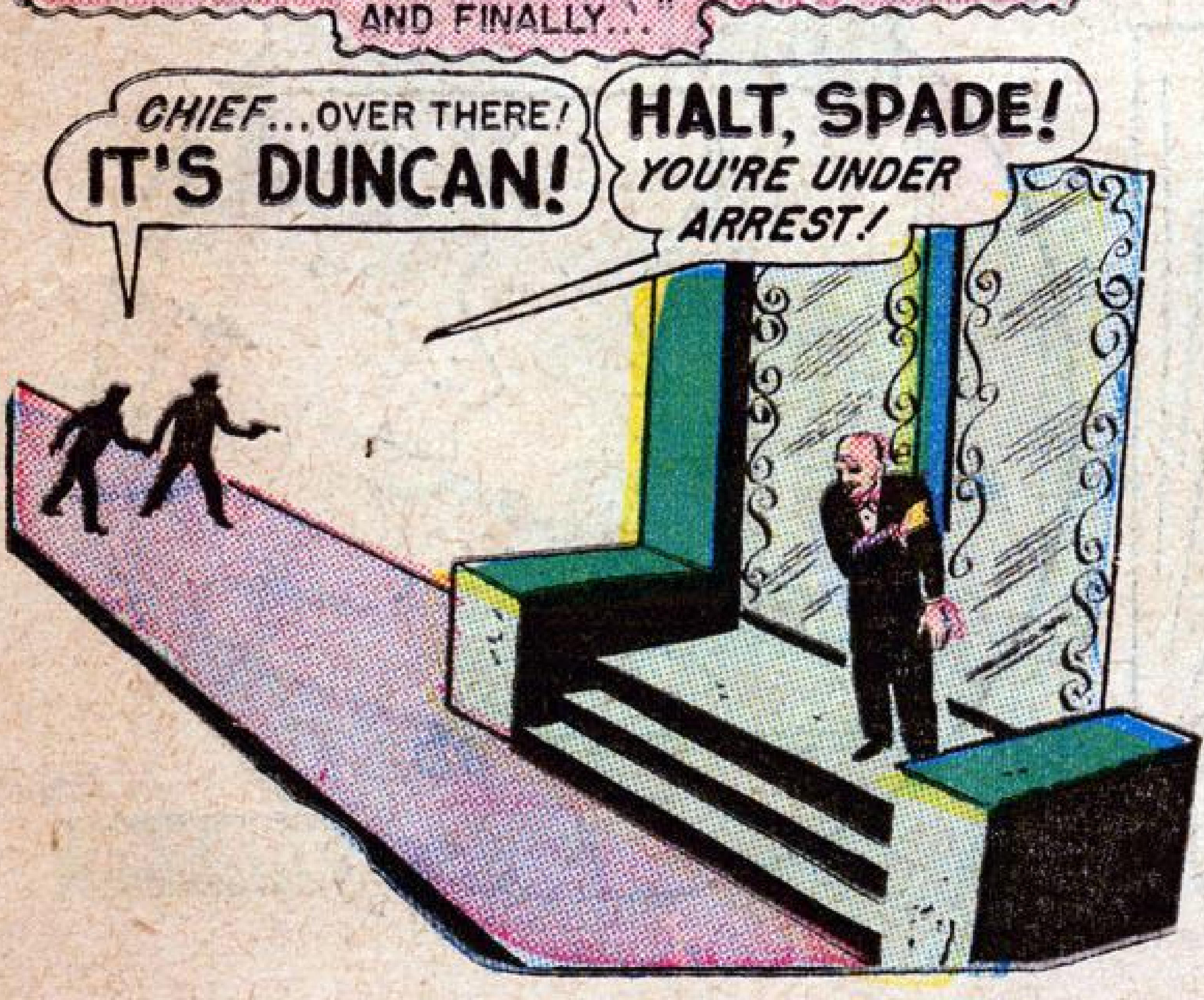
"BUT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ARRIVED NOT A MOMENT TOO SOON..."


BANG!
BANG!
BANG!

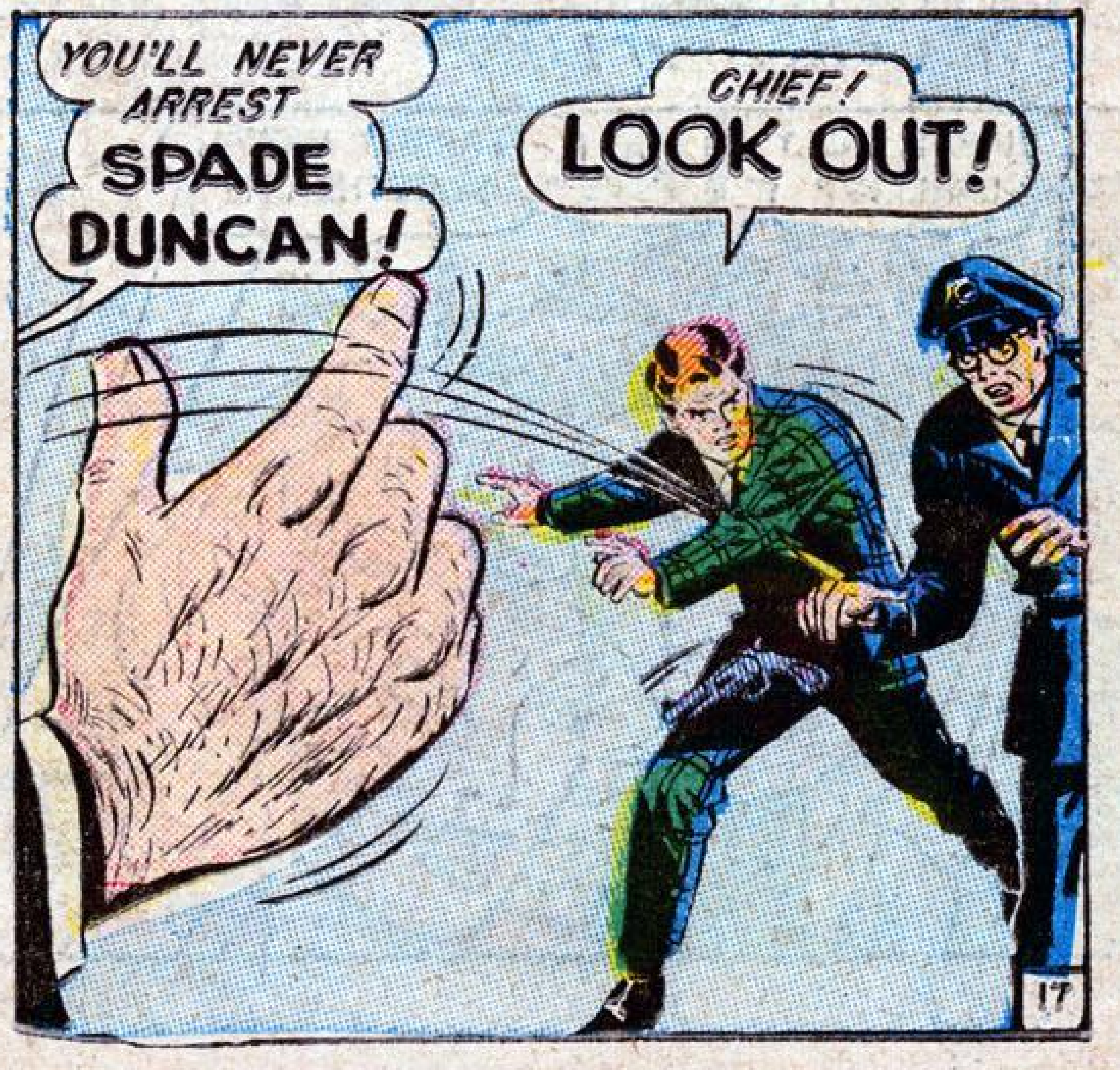
"THINGS HAPPENED FAST AND FURIOUSLY, AS MONK AND SHOULDERS LEANED OUT OF A WINDOW TO SHOOT GIMPY! THE ALERT PATROLMEN BELOW GOT THEM FIRST!"

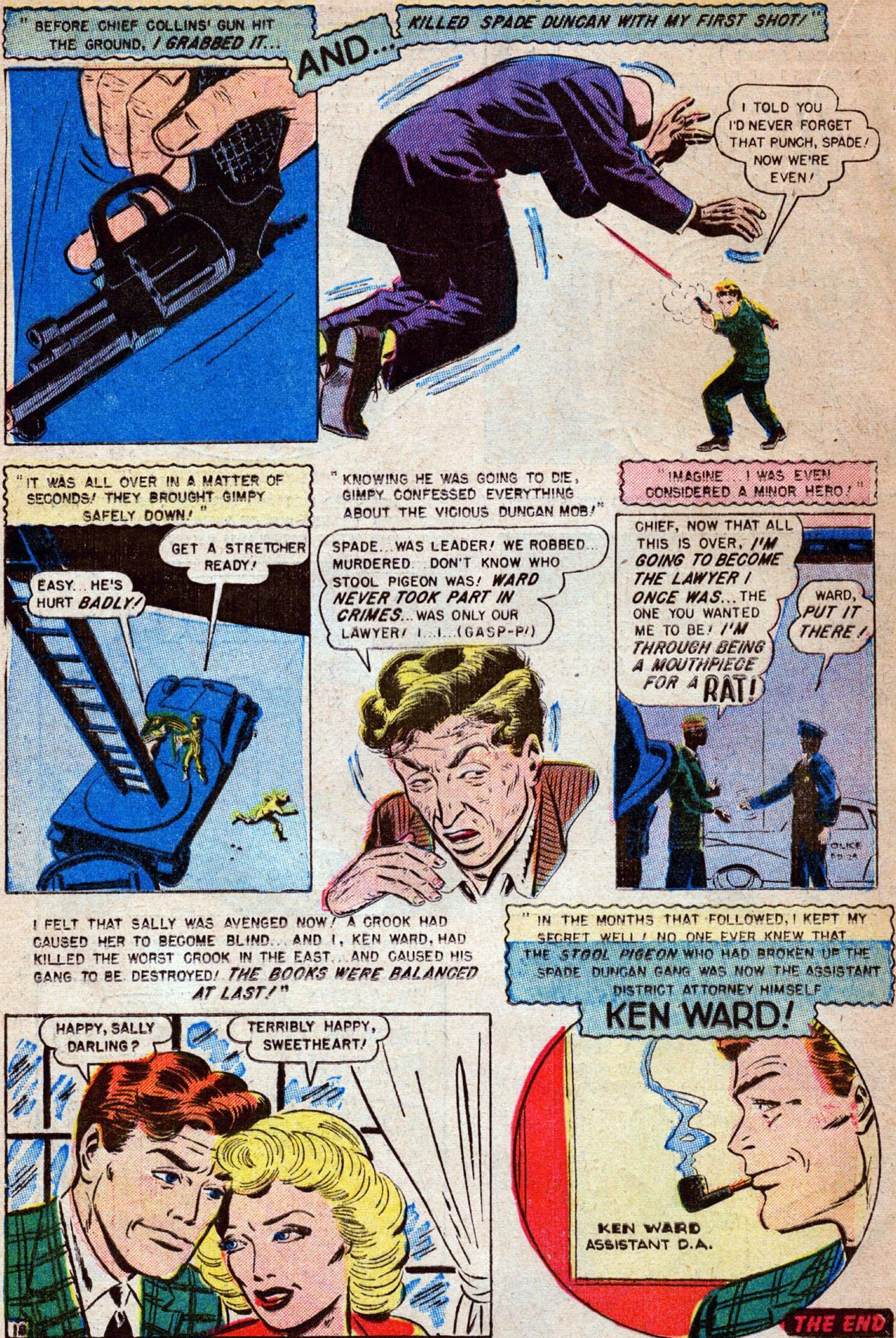

OH!
I'LL GET... UGH!

"KNOWING SPADE AND THE WAY HIS MIND WORKED, I SUSPECTED HE'D TRY A GETAWAY! AND SO I KEPT MY EYE ON THE ENTRANCE TO THE HOUSE, AND FINALLY..."


CHIEF...OVER THERE! IT'S DUNCAN!
HALT, SPADE! YOU'RE UNDER ARREST!

"BUT IN A FLASH, ONE OF SPADE'S DEADLY DARTS STREAKED OUT, AND..."


YOU'LL NEVER ARREST SPADE DUNCAN!
CHIEF! LOOK OUT!


"BEFORE CHIEF COLLINS' GUN HIT THE GROUND, *I GRABBED IT...*
AND...
KILLED SPADE DUNCAN WITH MY FIRST SHOT!"
I TOLD YOU I'D NEVER FORGET THAT PUNCH, SPADE! NOW WE'RE EVEN!
"IT WAS ALL OVER IN A MATTER OF SECONDS! THEY BROUGHT GIMPY SAFELY DOWN!"
GET A STRETCHER READY!
EASY... HE'S HURT *BADLY!*
"KNOWING HE WAS GOING TO DIE, GIMPY CONFESSED EVERYTHING ABOUT THE VICIOUS DUNCAN MOB!"
SPADE...WAS LEADER! WE ROBBED... MURDERED...DON'T KNOW WHO STOOL PIGEON WAS! *WARD NEVER TOOK PART IN CRIMES*...WAS ONLY OUR LAWYER! I...I...(GASP-P!)
"IMAGINE... I WAS EVEN CONSIDERED A MINOR HERO!"
CHIEF, NOW THAT ALL THIS IS OVER, *I'M GOING TO BECOME THE LAWYER I ONCE WAS*... THE ONE YOU WANTED ME TO BE! *I'M THROUGH BEING A MOUTHPIECE FOR A* RAT!
WARD, *PUT IT THERE!*
I FELT THAT SALLY WAS AVENGED NOW! A CROOK HAD CAUSED HER TO BECOME BLIND... AND I, KEN WARD, HAD KILLED THE WORST CROOK IN THE EAST...AND CAUSED HIS GANG TO BE DESTROYED! *THE BOOKS WERE BALANCED AT LAST!*"
HAPPY, SALLY DARLING?
TERRIBLY HAPPY, SWEETHEART!
"IN THE MONTHS THAT FOLLOWED, I KEPT MY SECRET WELL! NO ONE EVER KNEW THAT THE *STOOL PIGEON* WHO HAD BROKEN UP THE SPADE DUNGAN GANG WAS NOW THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY HIMSELF
KEN WARD!
KEN WARD
ASSISTANT D.A.
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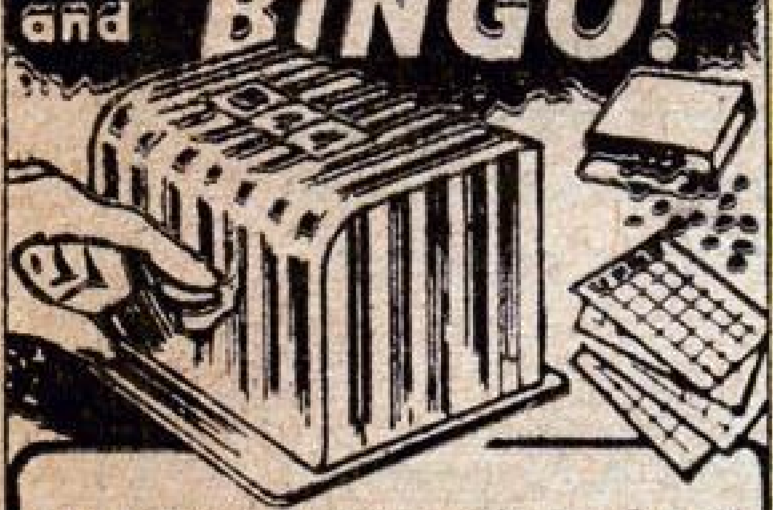

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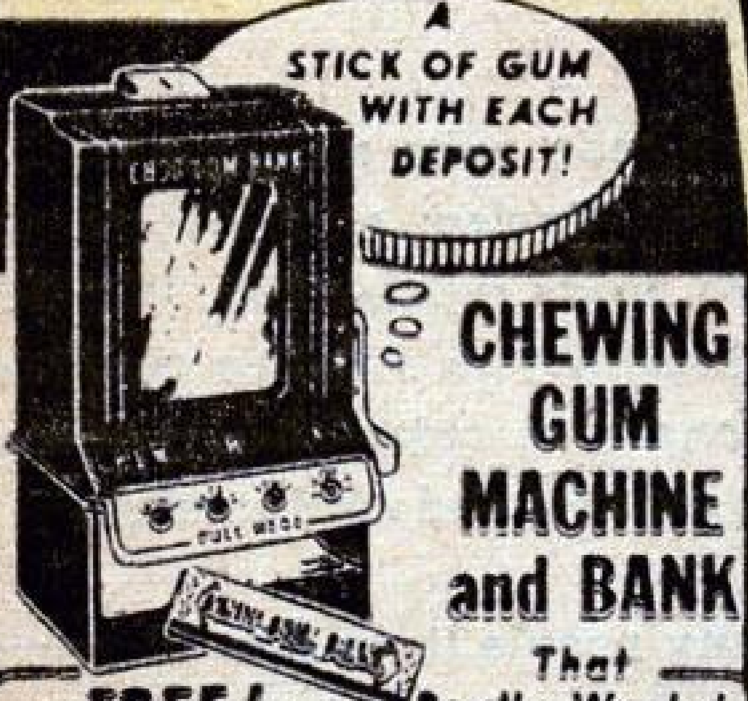
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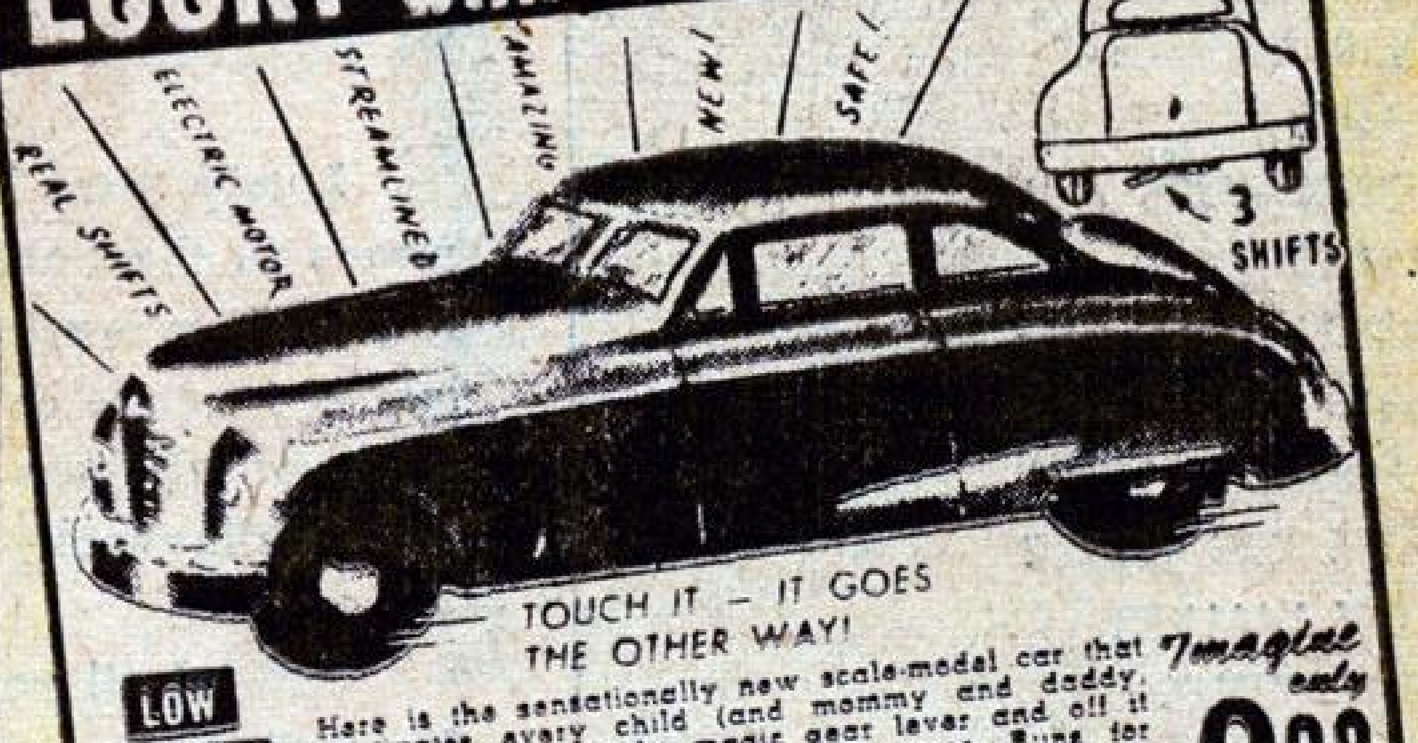

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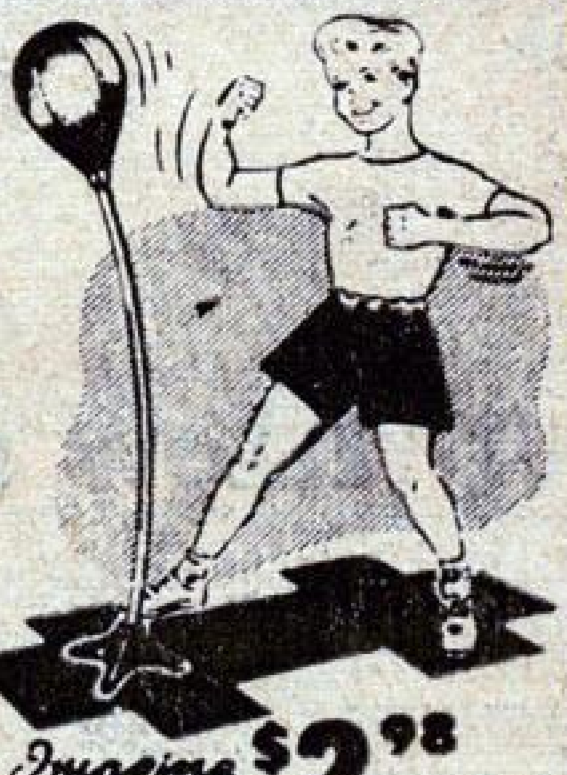

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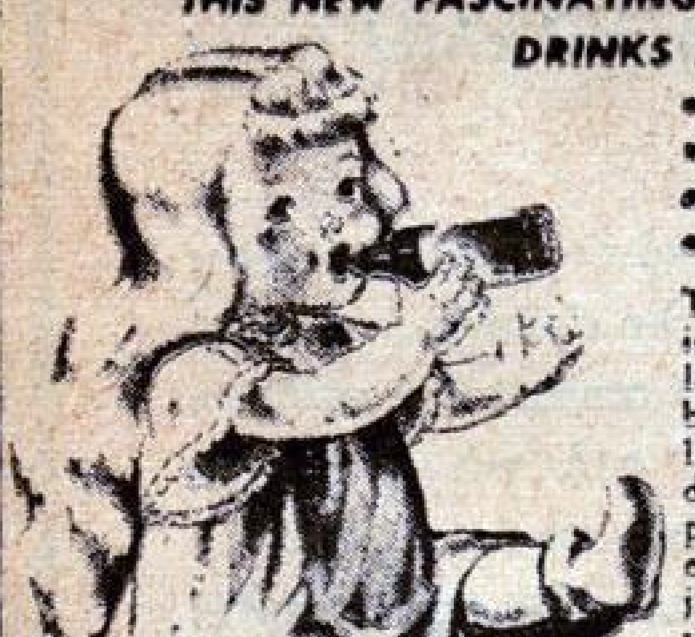

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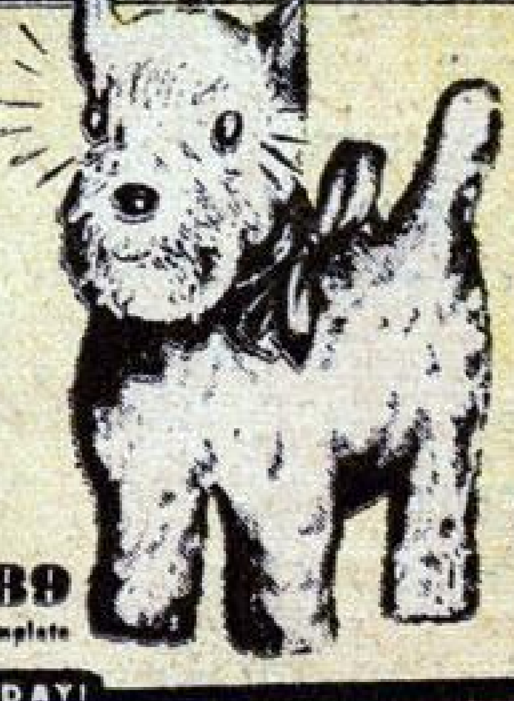

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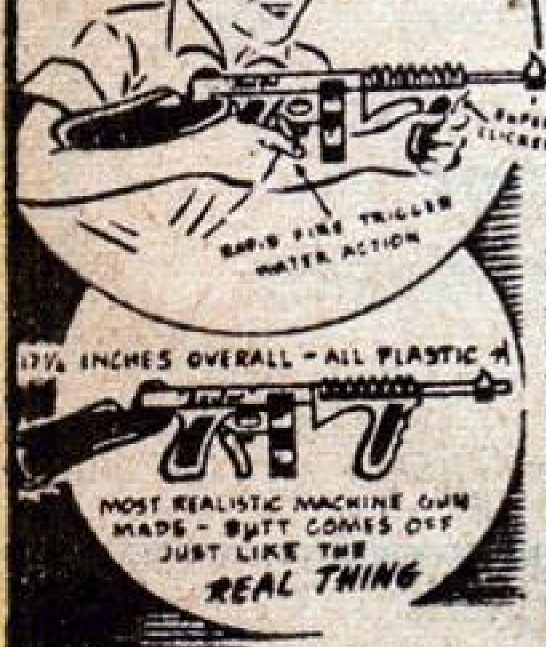
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HI FRIENDS:

Lately there has been quite a debate about comics raging in the pages of the Saturday Review of Literature, one of America's most respected magazines. In an article, a Dr. Wertham discussed the problem of juvenile delinquency in America today, and pinned the blame for some of these cases on comic magazines, simply because many of the delinquent youngsters had read comics.

93% of all young people (from 8 to 16 years of age) read comics. Naturally a few young people get into some kind of trouble . . . so do a lot of older ones . . . and of course many of the kids who get into trouble do read comics. But what the article does not state is the fact that 93% of the boys and girls who get into *no trouble at all* also read comics.

Let us quote a letter from David Pace Wigransky, a 14 year old reader of comics, published in the July 24th issue of the Saturday Review:

". . . In none of these cases was it proved that reading comic books was the cause of the delinquency. A good many of the delinquents mentioned happened to be readers of comic magazines, just as are 69,999,975 perfectly healthy, happy, normal American boys and girls, men and women, who also read comics.

". . . It appears that his [Dr. Wertham's] $64 question to a child being psychoanalyzed is, 'Do you read COMIC BOOKS, my little man?' Of course the juvenile delinquent, *being a normal child in at least that way,* will answer 'Yes'."

In other words, the case is just as we stated it above. Since almost all kids of any kind read comics, naturally some of the delinquents read comics too. But since the same percentage holds true among the millions of youngsters who have committed *no offense at all,* why not give the comics credit for the good influence they have been on these millions of healthy, normal kids, instead of just blaming them for our handful of delinquents?

Once again let us remind you to show our magazines, or any of the other *good* comics, to people who criticize this form of entertainment. Show those people that your favorite magazines are not harmful. Let them see Dr. Thompson's endorsement on the first page of every one of our magazines, and prove to one and all that the comics you buy and read are *good for you.*

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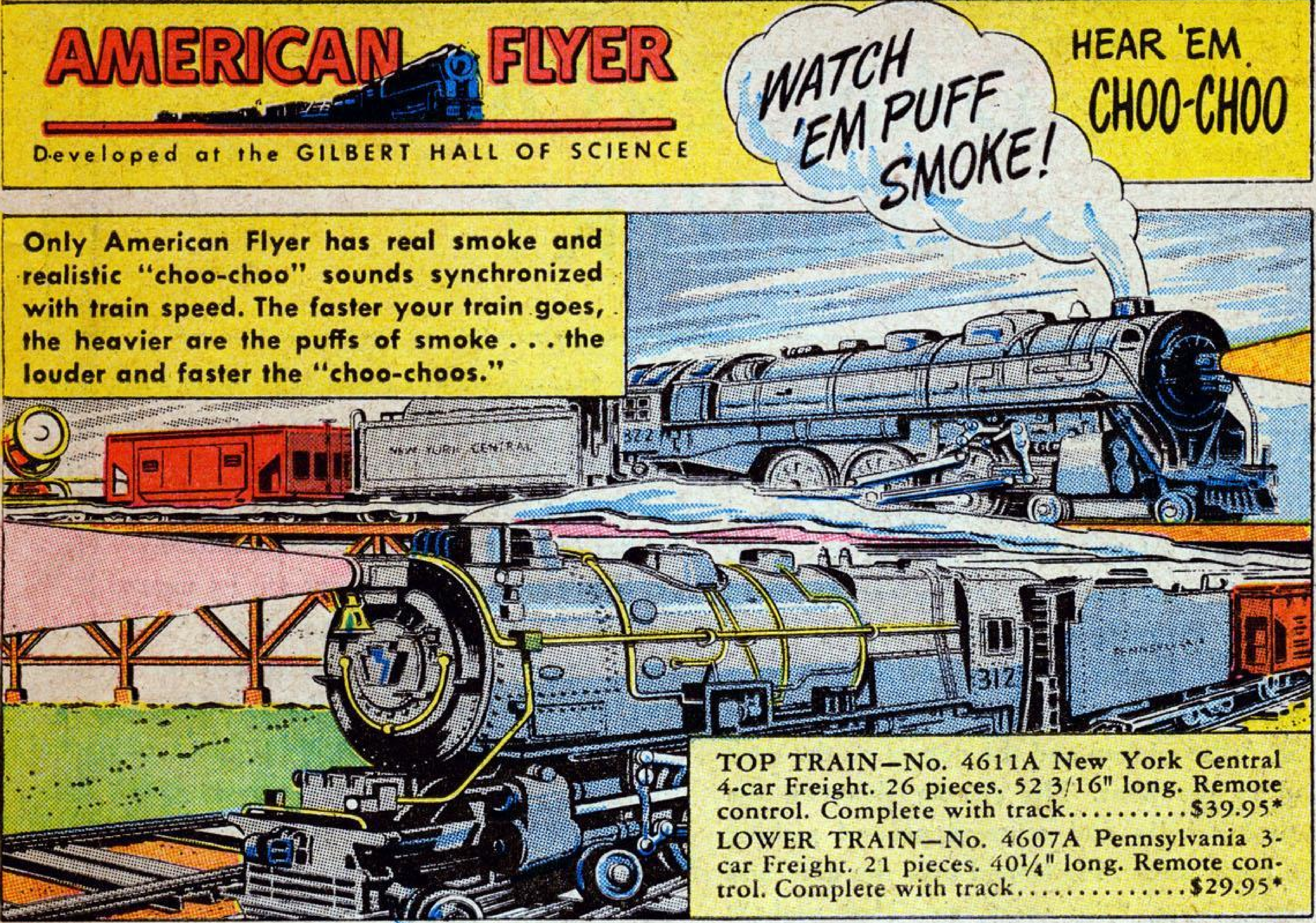
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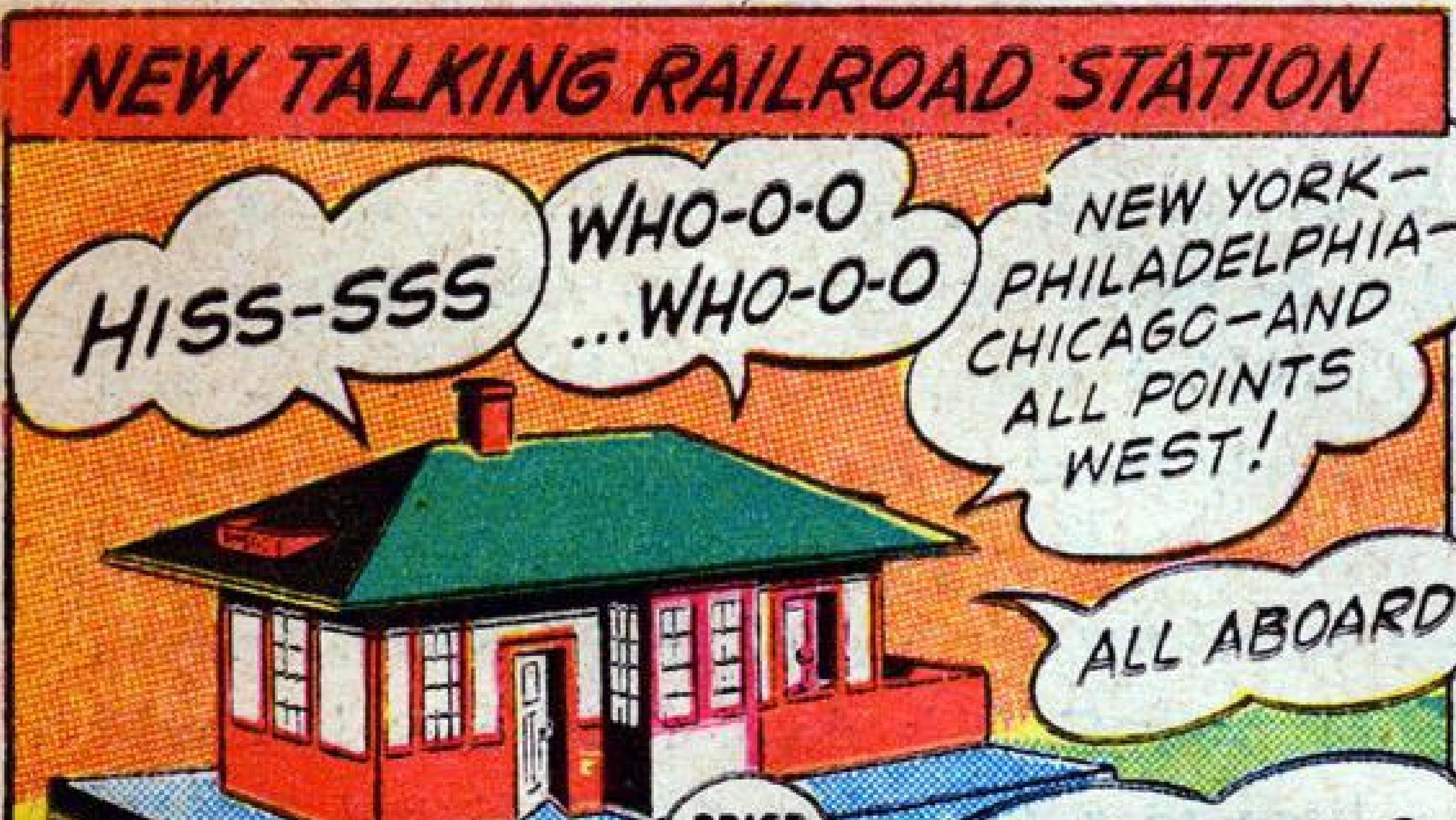
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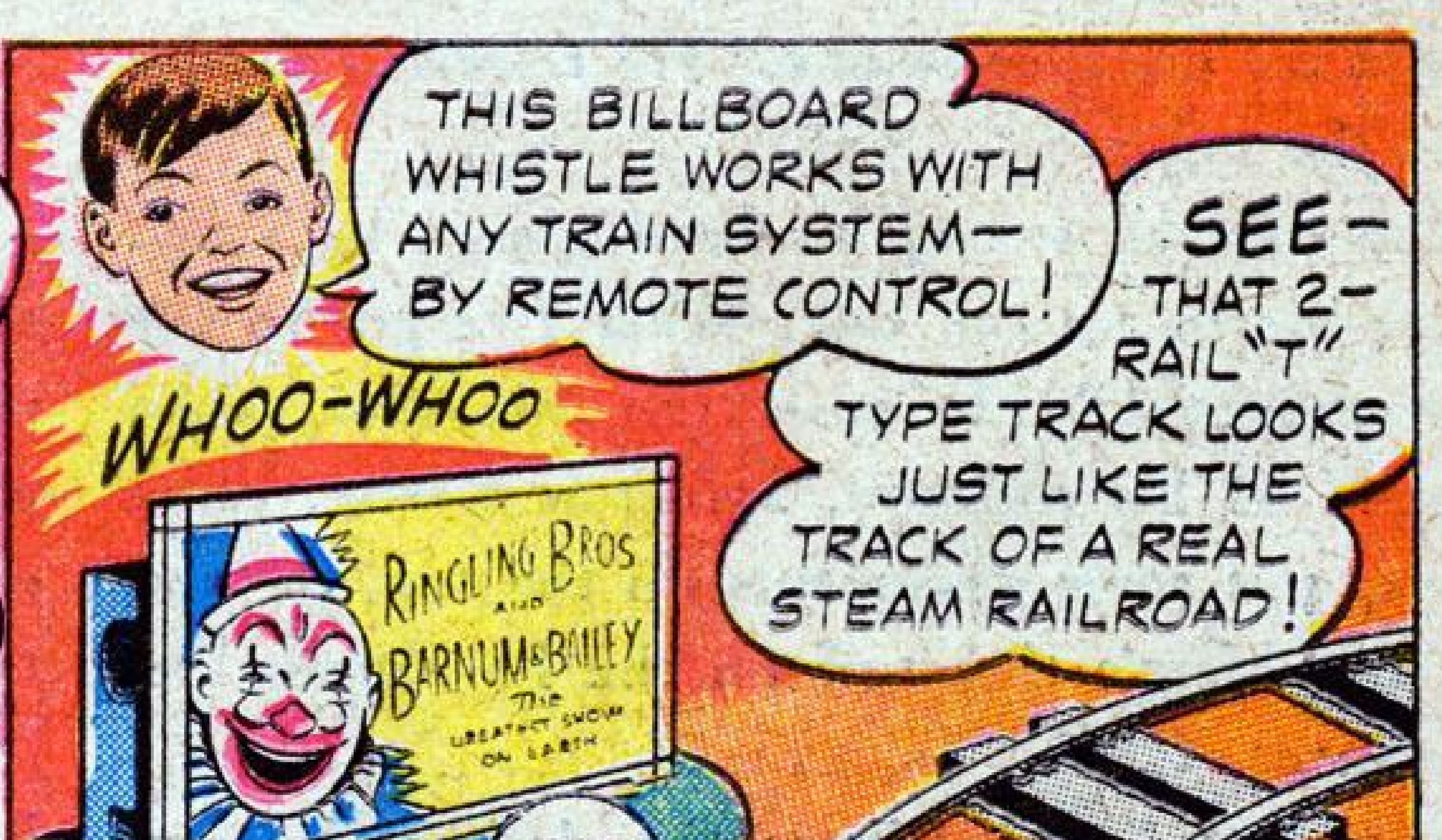
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A window cleaner working outside presently unhooked his safety belt and swung in. A gust of wind followed him and the papers on the desk swirled to the floor. The cleaner slammed the window hurriedly and scurried around picking up the loose sheets. He leaned over the desk and put them down. "I'm sorry, sir. That updraft caught me unexpected-like." He retreated hastily from the office.

The scientist swung his hard glance to Tony. "Now maybe we can talk. What I've got to say is confidential." He rose, left his desk, then stopped as his assistant, Sylvester Carter, came in and put some documents on the oak surface, saying, "Here's the stuff on the La Honda development, C. V."

The man lingered near the desk and Tony grinned inwardly. Carter had the prying nature of a backyard gossip and the La Honda papers were just an excuse to break in and see what was going on. C. V. dismissed him with an irritated wave of one hand and, when the door closed once more, continued across the floor to a hidden wall safe and withdrew a bundle of blueprints. He tapped them significantly. "These are so important to our country," he said grimly, "that certain agents have already taken the lives of two of my men in an attempt to get them. I want you, Tony, to deliver them to Washington!"

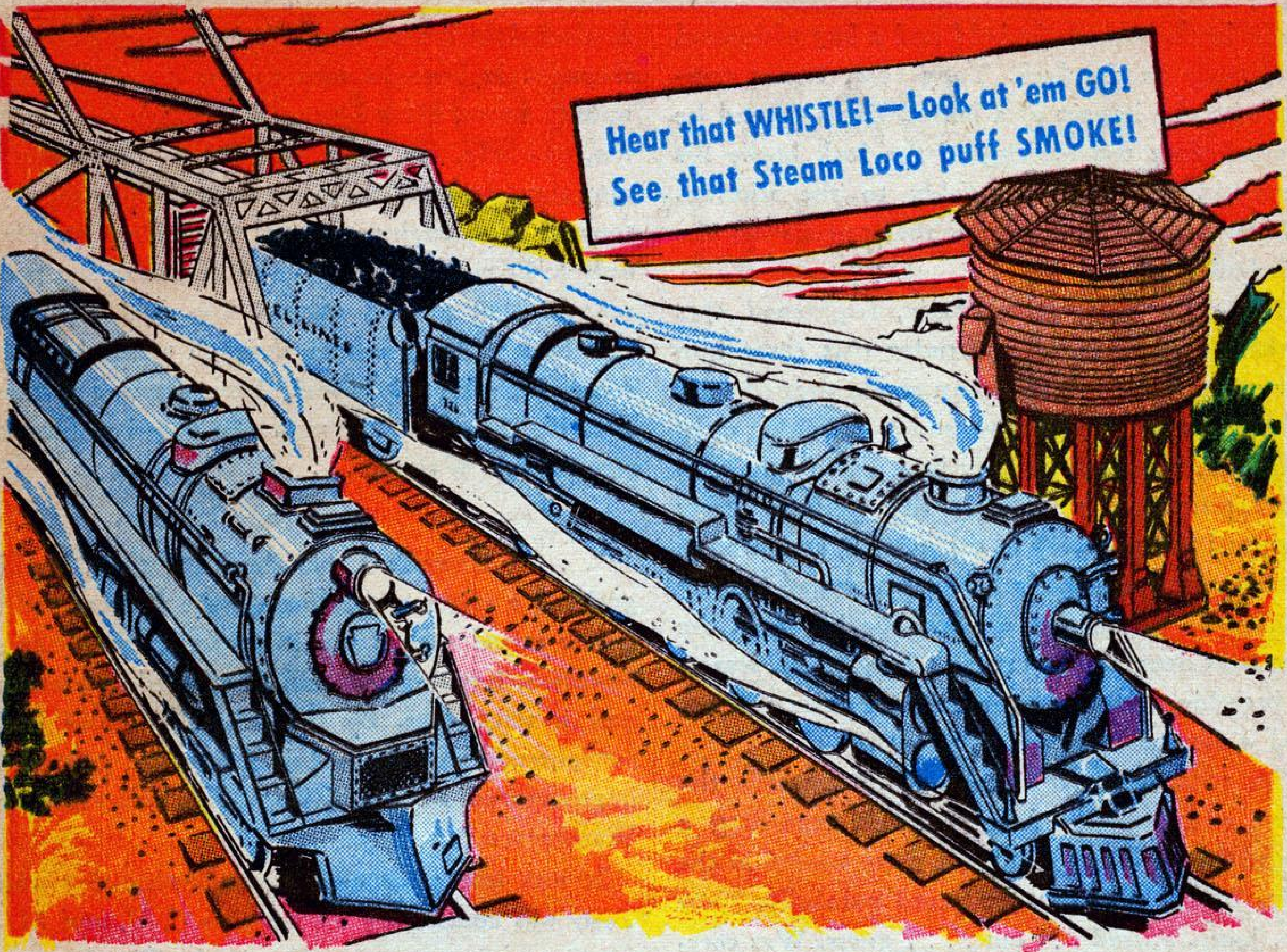
Tony choked. "Me? But . . . but . . ."

C. V. waved him to silence. "Since you were orphaned by the death of your father in my plant, I've watched you closely. I know I can trust you. Now, here's the plan: Major Conant and I are going to Washington immediately. You will finish your day here as usual, have dinner, then get out to the airport and ask for Lieutenant Harris. Don't pack a bag. Above all, be natural."

Major Conant interrupted softly: "and don't worry boy. You won't know it, but one of my men will be behind you all the way. You see, our idea is that nobody will suspect that a secret so valuable would be entrusted to an office boy. They'll be watching the two of us." He handed Tony a card. "Here's where you go in Washington. Put those plans under your shirt and don't take 'em out until you get there!"

A few more instructions, some money from C. V. and they were gone. Tony tried to act natural as he tidied up around the office, but excitement bubbled mercurially inside him. . . . and as suddenly froze as his eyes caught an open key on the inter-office phone system. To his mind there leapt the picture of the window cleaner, bending over C. V.'s desk. How easy it would have been to press a key down, piping C. V.'s plan into a speaker in another office! Whose? Tony couldn't tell; the keys were not marked. One thing was certain: it had been no accident. C. V. was much too careful for that.

Abruptly, an imminent peril seemed to sweep like a flame through the Atkinson company offices and Tony felt his nerves jump with panic. He had to get away. He left by C. V.'s private entrance and went to the old converted dwelling where he had a room on the second floor rear. There he locked himself in. He sat for a long time making desperate plans for getting to the airport unseen, when a soft movement at the door jerked his eyes to it. The knob was turning slowly, then a gentle strain pressed against the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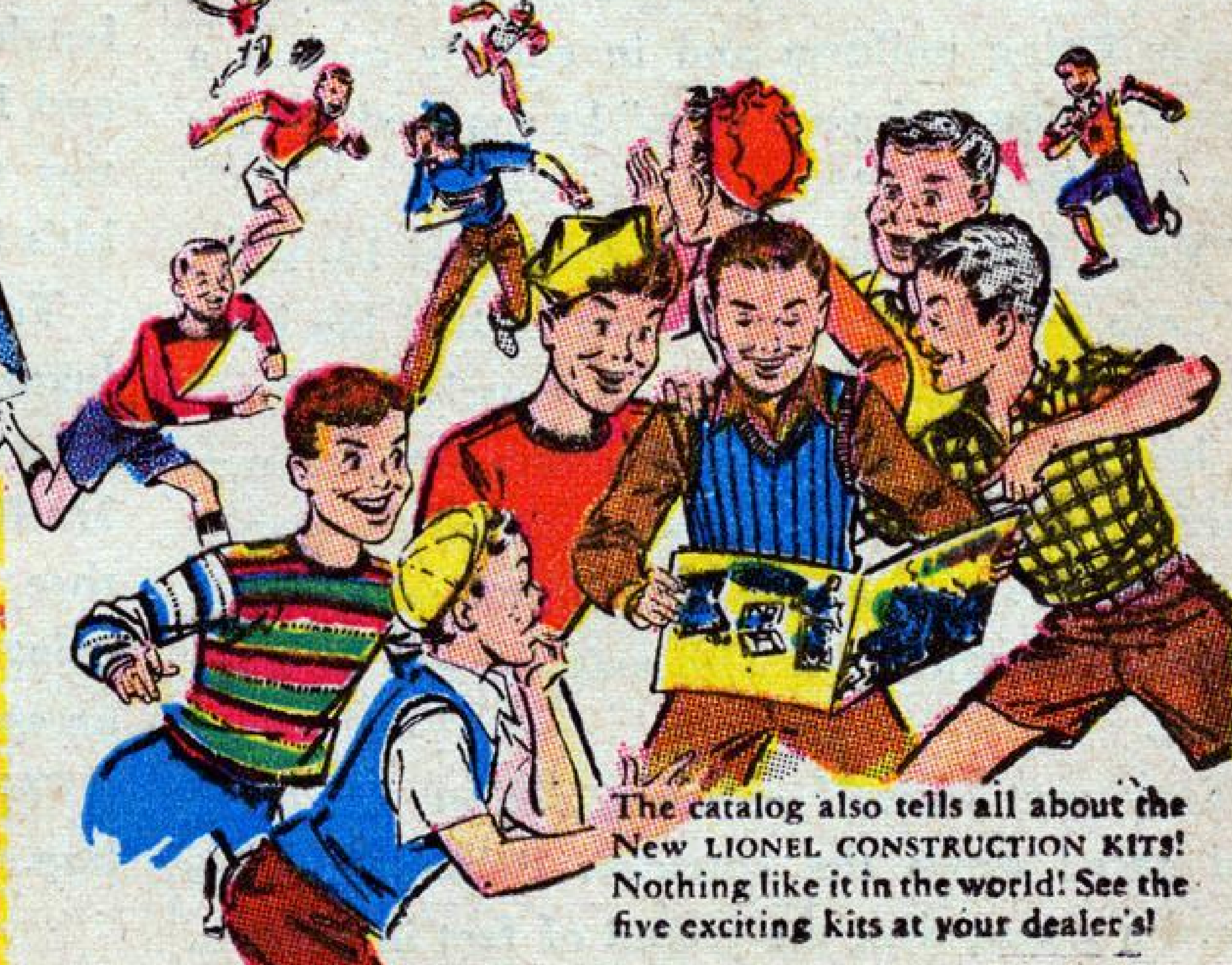

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night latch. The strain held and a key whispered cautiously in the lock. Tony rose, terror coming with the impact of a bullet. For a second he froze before the turning of the lock broke his paralysis. He backed quickly to the window. Thank heaven for the ledge that ran around the old building!

He clung there precariously, frightened eyes seeking to identify the intruder that came into the room, but the half-drawn shade showed only a headless figure with a nervously twitching right shoulder. It moved quickly back and forth, then went purposefully towards the window. Tony dropped the one story to the ground, and needles of pain shot up to his knees. He rolled rapidly under the hedge that divided the lot from the one next door and lay there a long while, scarcely breathing. Somewhere near there came a moan, and a hoarse whisper: "Donovan!"

"A trick maybe?" Tony edged towards the voice and abruptly found himself regarding a prone figure, blood matting a nasty wound in the side. "G-2," the man whispered painfully. "Saw . . . jump. Passed . . . out . . . I guess. Was careless . . . stabbed . . . get to airport. Hurry! tell . . . Major . . ." The effort told and the blackness closed in again on the intelligence officer.

"What a game guy!" muttered Tony. Resolution firmed his jaw and cleared away his uncertainty. He was pledged to action now.

It took time to get the G-2 man taken care of and it was late when Tony reached the airport. Inquiry for Lieutenant Harris led him to a small, lonely office in the administration building. The Lieutenant was waiting impatiently, clad in a poorly fitting uniform and in equally as bad a temper. "You took your time," he snapped. "Have you got the stuff?"

"Yes." Tony indicated a bulge under his shirt.

"Let's go." Lieutenant Harris twisted his head around, looking for his cap. A muscle stood out on his neck and his right shoulder jumped nervously. Tony stared. He slowly scanned the sloppy uniform down to a pair of pointed wing-tipped shoes. Non-regulation! This man was not an army officer.

Tony sent himself crashing out of the office and raced down the corridor. Behind him he heard a shout, then the pound of feet in pursuit. A glass door led off the right and Tony plunged through. It brought him to the crowded main waiting room. Here he could get lost. And here too, was help, for at one side of the room, scanning the crowd was Sylvester Carter! Tony started towards him, edging through the milling people, only to be cut off by a wave of disembarking passengers that pushed against him and crowded him back to the entrance through which he had come. Fighting the crowd, Tony threw a glance over his shoulder. The man who posed as Harris stood there. Waiting. . . .

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". . . I thought I was done for then, but I grabbed a suitcase standing on the floor and the owner raised such a row it attracted everybody's attention. I apologized, said I had made a mistake and it went over. By the time the crowd had straightened out again I had lost the guy who impersonated Harris. I hopped a bus right to Washington."

It was late afternoon the following day and Tony was concluding his story to C. V. and Major Conant in a certain office in the War Department.

"Good work, Tony. Now where are the plans?" demanded the Major.

"They should be here about now," replied Tony. "I figured that if you and Mr. Atkinson had been a red herring I'd have to be one in turn when I discovered the plan had been overheard. I mailed the stuff, special delivery, registered."

A little later the plans were delivered and C. V. laughed, "It's funny," he said to the Major. "You and I worked so hard to think up an un-obvious way to get the plans to Washington and Tony hit's it first crack. The U. S. Mail!"

Tony slept that night in Washington's most luxurious hotel. He was wakened in the morning by a boy with a note from C. V. It read: "The Intelligence works fast, Tony. It was Carter's key that had been left open and it had his fingerprint on it. He's been picked up and I'm without an assistant. Any suggestions?"

"Have I?" shouted Tony to the startled bellhop. "Oh boy!"

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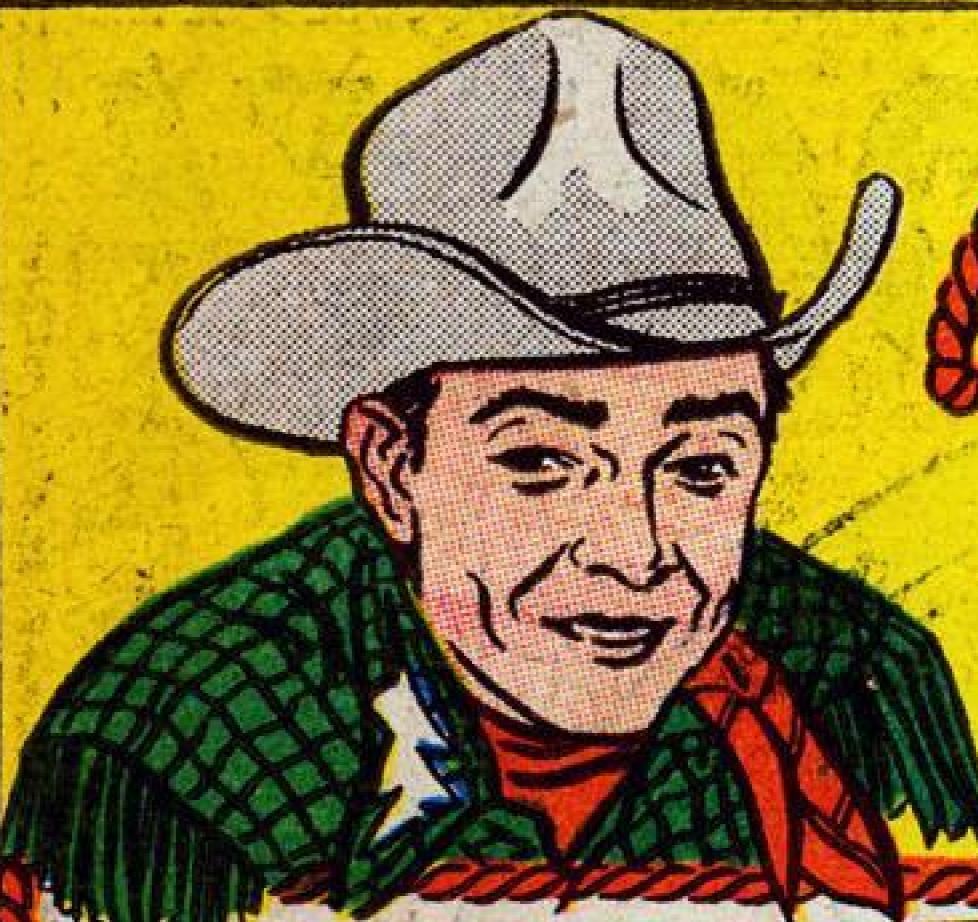

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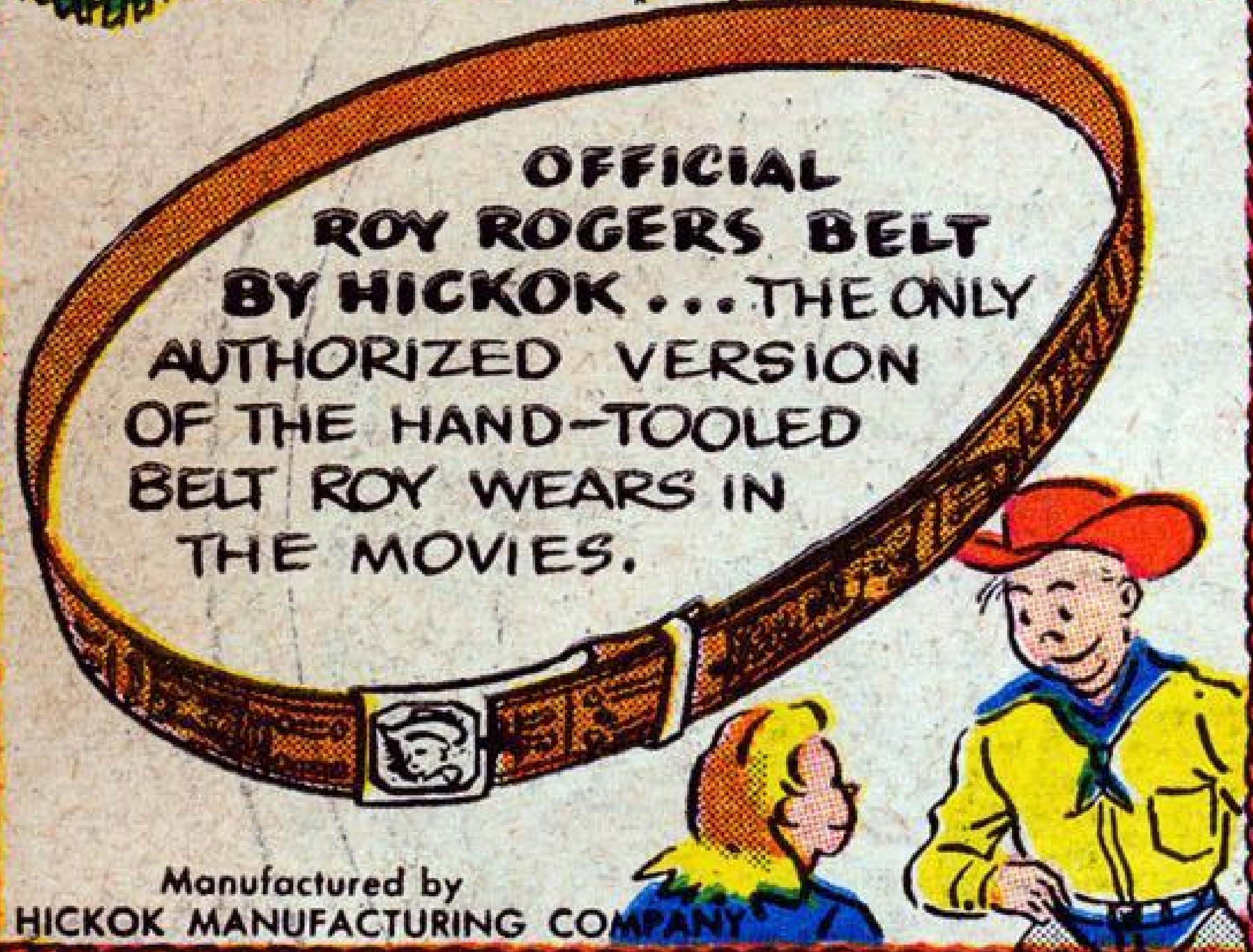

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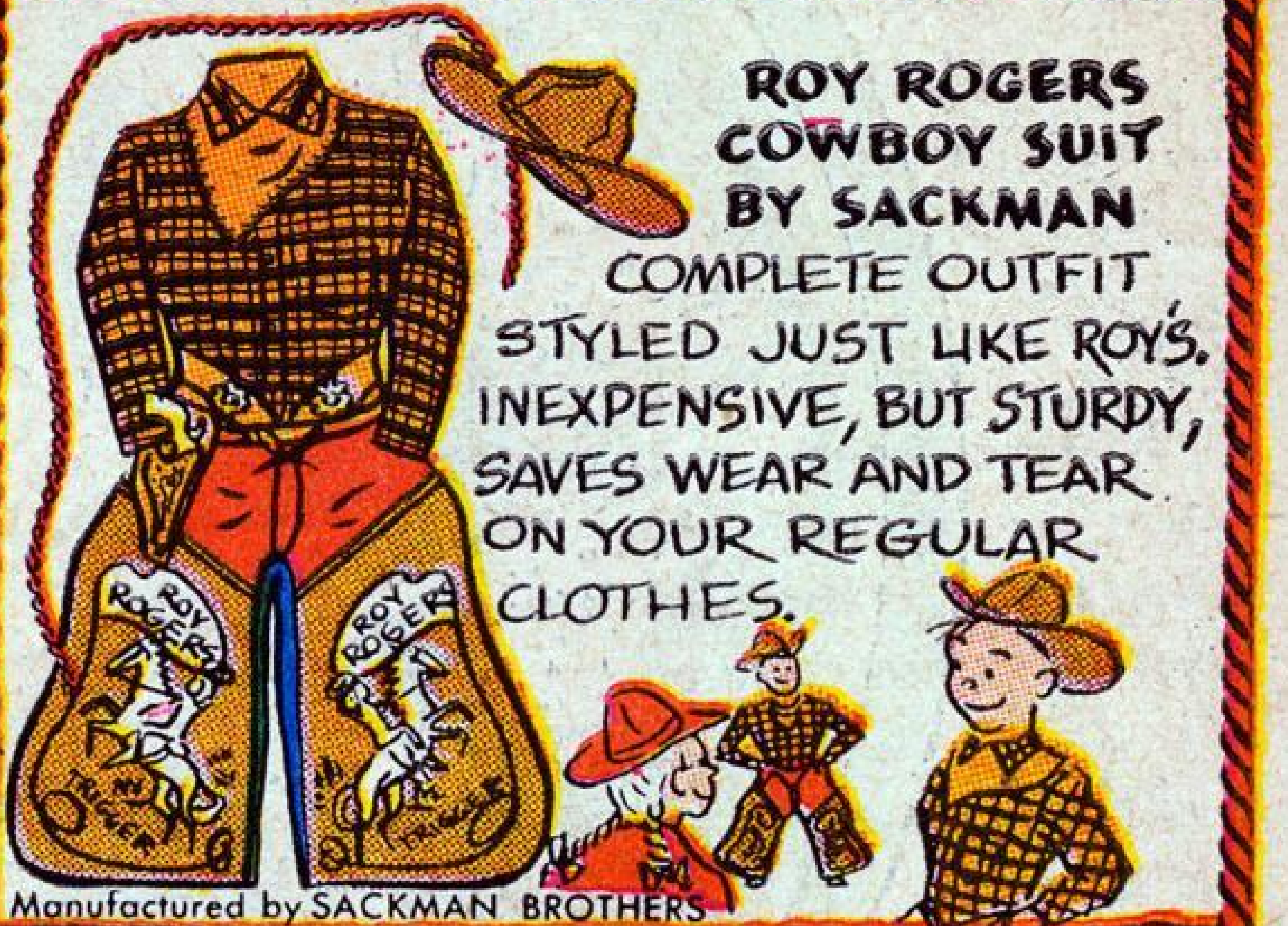

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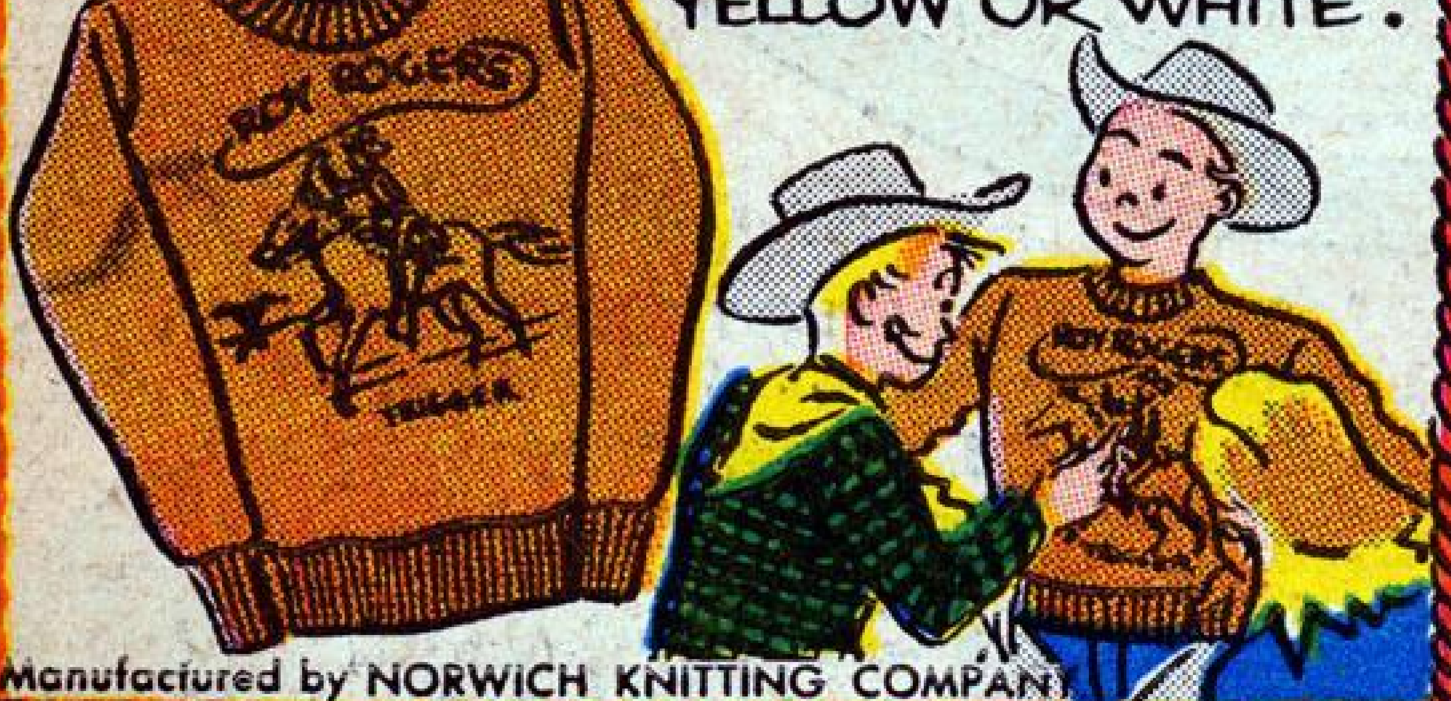

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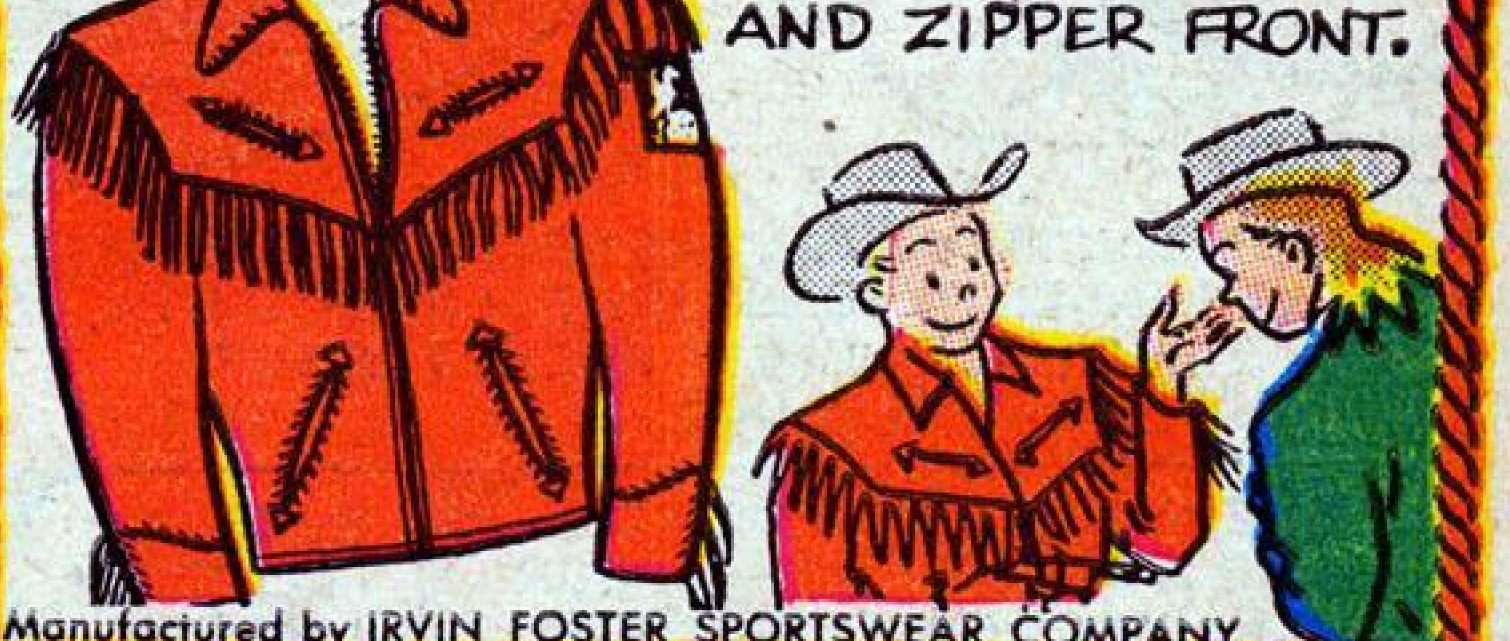

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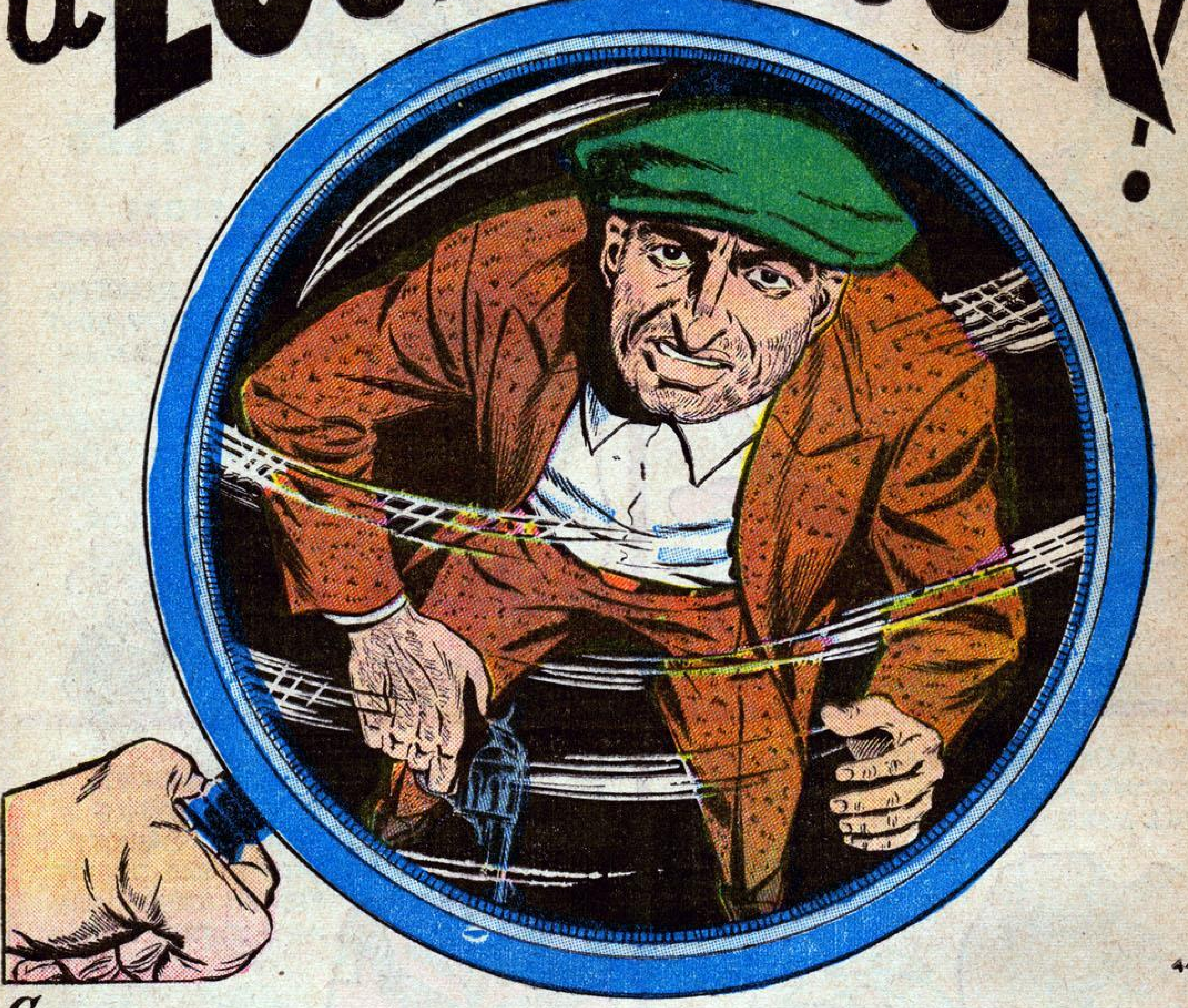

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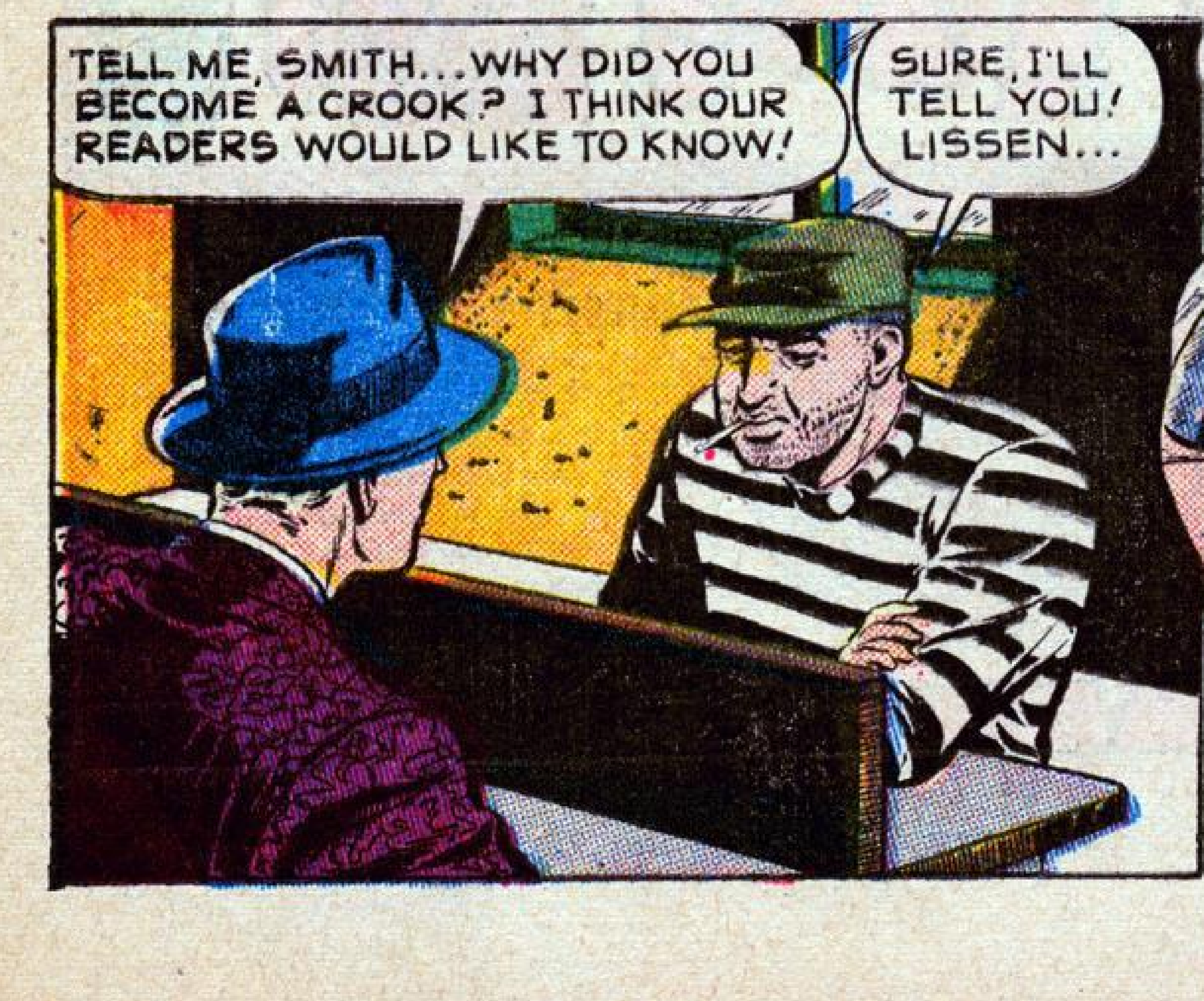
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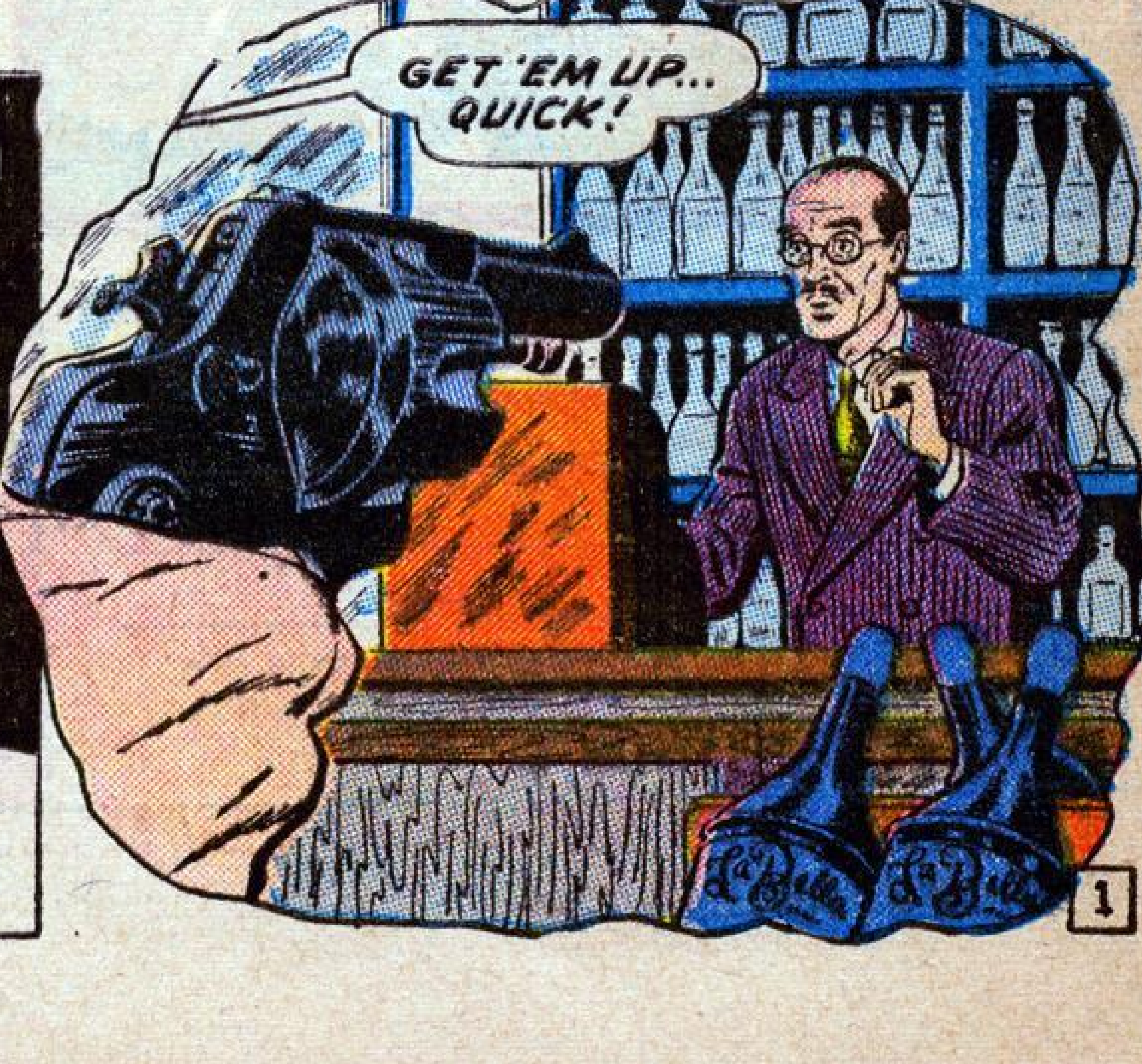
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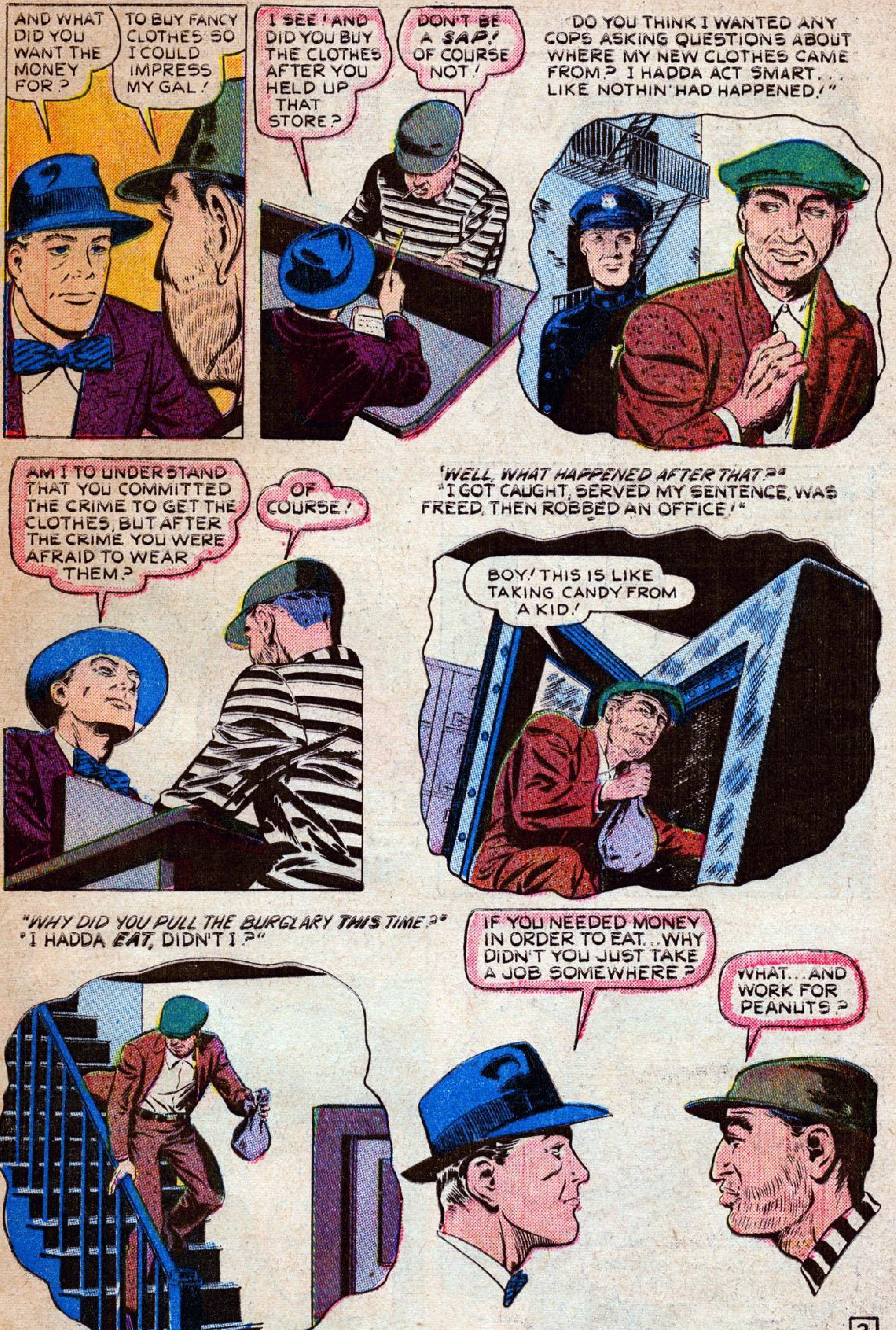
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I SEE ! AND DID YOU BUY THE CLOTHES AFTER YOU HELD UP THAT STORE ?
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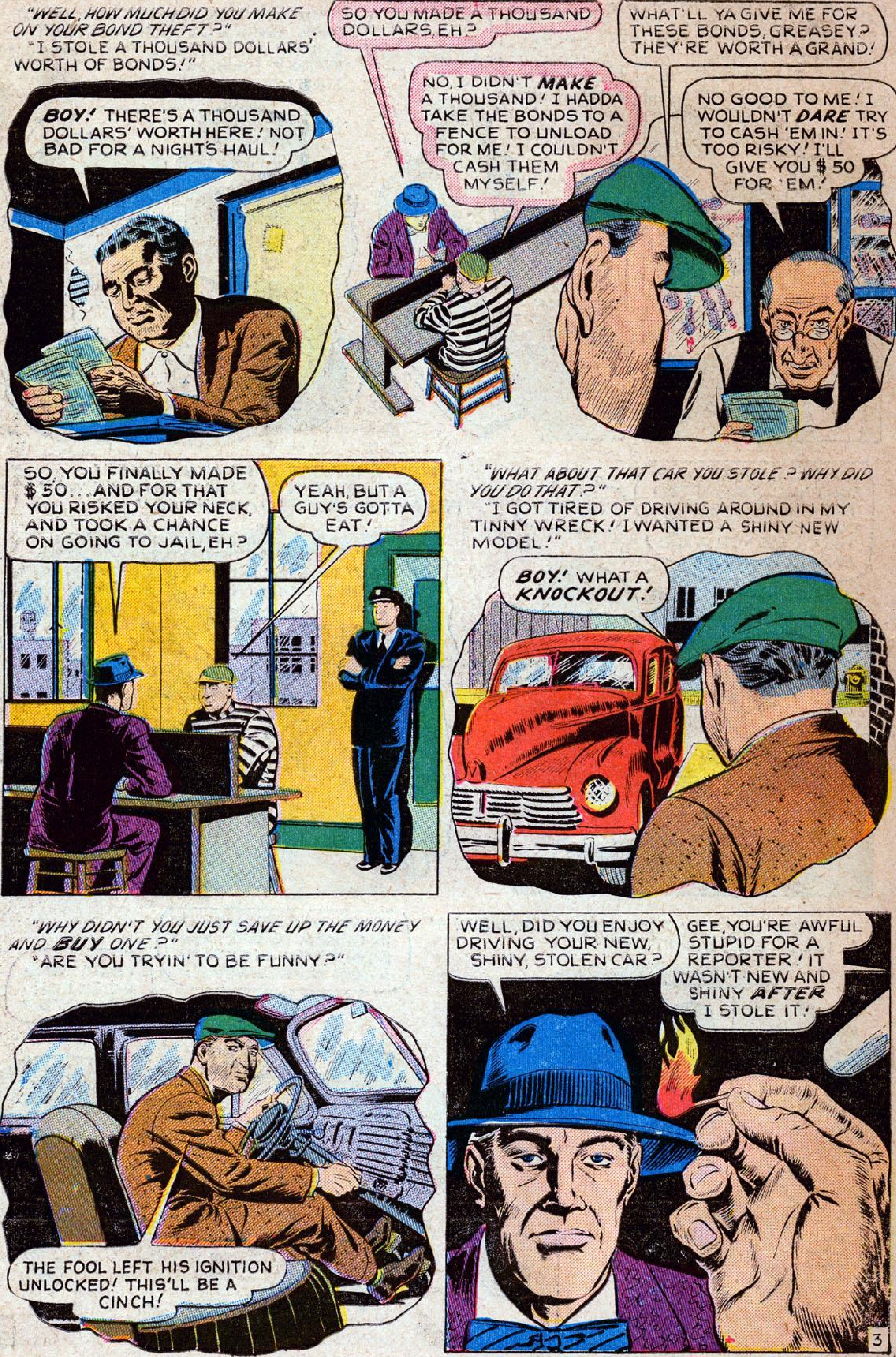
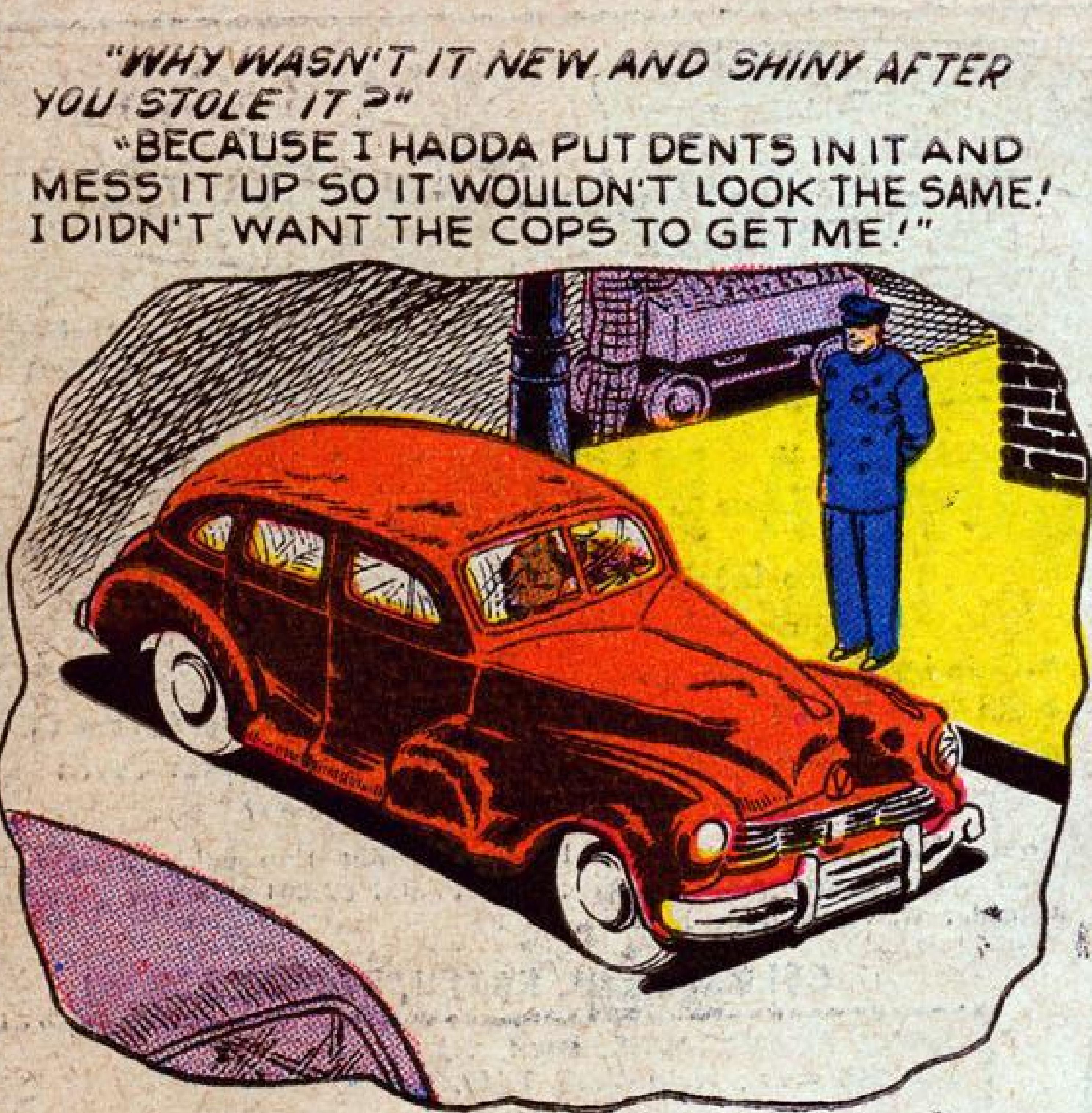
AM I TO UNDERSTAND THAT YOU COMMITTED THE CRIME TO GET THE CLOTHES, BUT AFTER THE CRIME YOU WERE AFRAID TO WEAR THEM ?
OF COURSE !
"WELL, WHAT HAPPENED AFTER THAT ?"
"I GOT CAUGHT, SERVED MY SENTENCE, WAS FREED, THEN ROBBED AN OFFICE !"
BOY ! THIS IS LIKE TAKING CANDY FROM A KID !
"WHY DID YOU PULL THE BURGLARY THIS TIME ?"
"I HADDA *EAT*, DIDN'T I ?"
IF YOU NEEDED MONEY IN ORDER TO EAT. . WHY DIDN'T YOU JUST TAKE A JOB SOMEWHERE ?
WHAT. . . AND WORK FOR PEANUTS ?


"WELL, HOW MUCH DID YOU MAKE ON YOUR BOND THEFT?"
"I STOLE A THOUSAND DOLLARS' WORTH OF BONDS!"
BOY! THERE'S A THOUSAND DOLLARS' WORTH HERE! NOT BAD FOR A NIGHT'S HAUL!
SO YOU MADE A THOUSAND DOLLARS, EH?
NO, I DIDN'T MAKE A THOUSAND! I HADDA TAKE THE BONDS TO A FENCE TO UNLOAD FOR ME! I COULDN'T CASH THEM MYSELF!
WHAT'LL YA GIVE ME FOR THESE BONDS, GREASEY? THEY'RE WORTH A GRAND!
NO GOOD TO ME! I WOULDN'T DARE TRY TO CASH 'EM IN! IT'S TOO RISKY! I'LL GIVE YOU $ 50 FOR 'EM!
SO, YOU FINALLY MADE $ 50... AND FOR THAT YOU RISKED YOUR NECK, AND TOOK A CHANCE ON GOING TO JAIL, EH?
YEAH, BUT A GUY'S GOTTA EAT!
"WHAT ABOUT THAT CAR YOU STOLE? WHY DID YOU DO THAT?"
"I GOT TIRED OF DRIVING AROUND IN MY TINNY WRECK! I WANTED A SHINY NEW MODEL!"
BOY! WHAT A KNOCKOUT!
"WHY DIDN'T YOU JUST SAVE UP THE MONEY AND BUY ONE?"
"ARE YOU TRYIN' TO BE FUNNY?"
THE FOOL LEFT HIS IGNITION UNLOCKED! THIS'LL BE A CINCH!
WELL, DID YOU ENJOY DRIVING YOUR NEW, SHINY, STOLEN CAR?
GEE, YOU'RE AWFUL STUPID FOR A REPORTER! IT WASN'T NEW AND SHINY AFTER I STOLE IT!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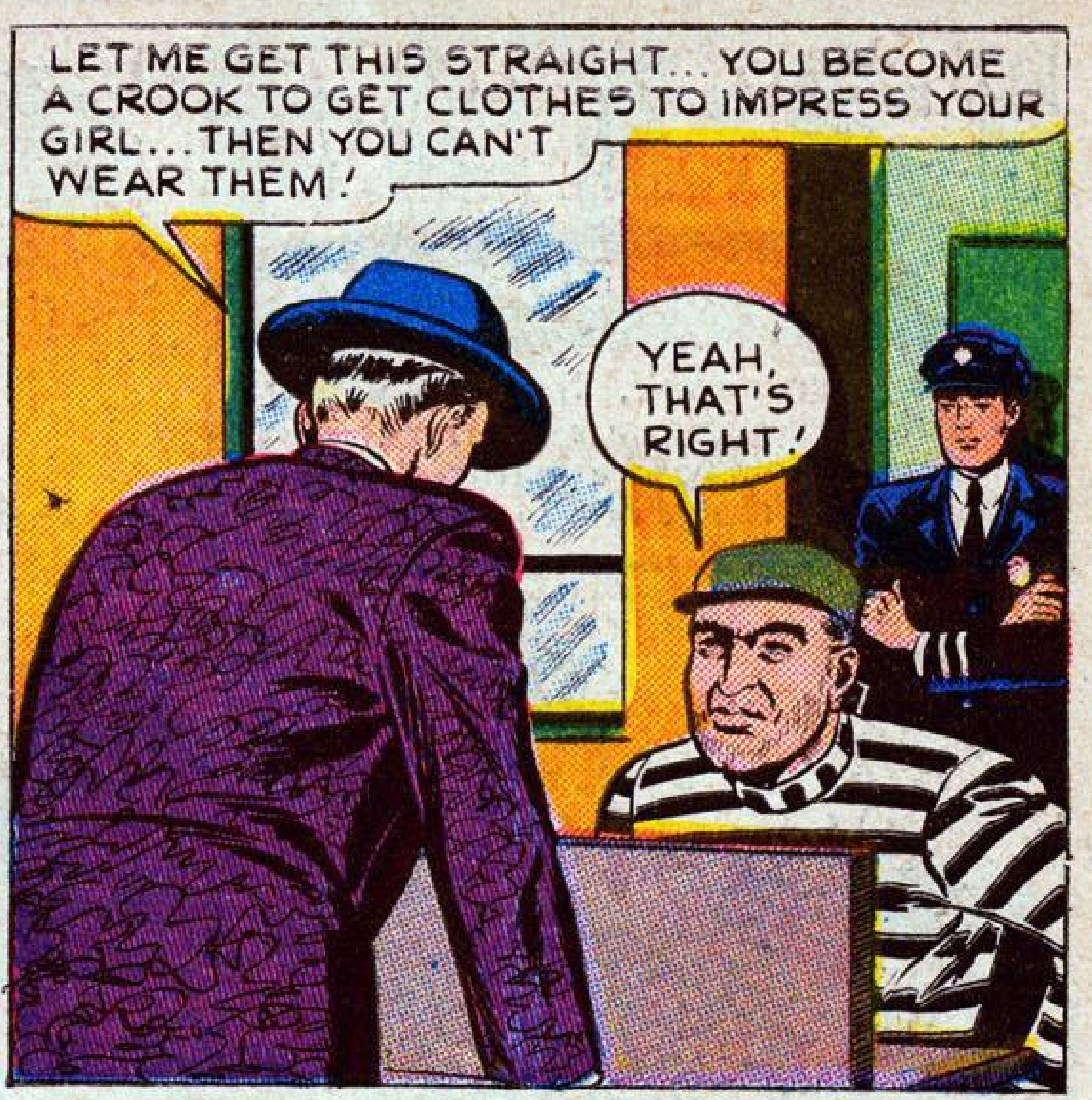
"BECAUSE I HADDA PUT DENTS IN IT AND MESS IT UP SO IT WOULDN'T LOOK THE SAME! I DIDN'T WANT THE COPS TO GET ME!"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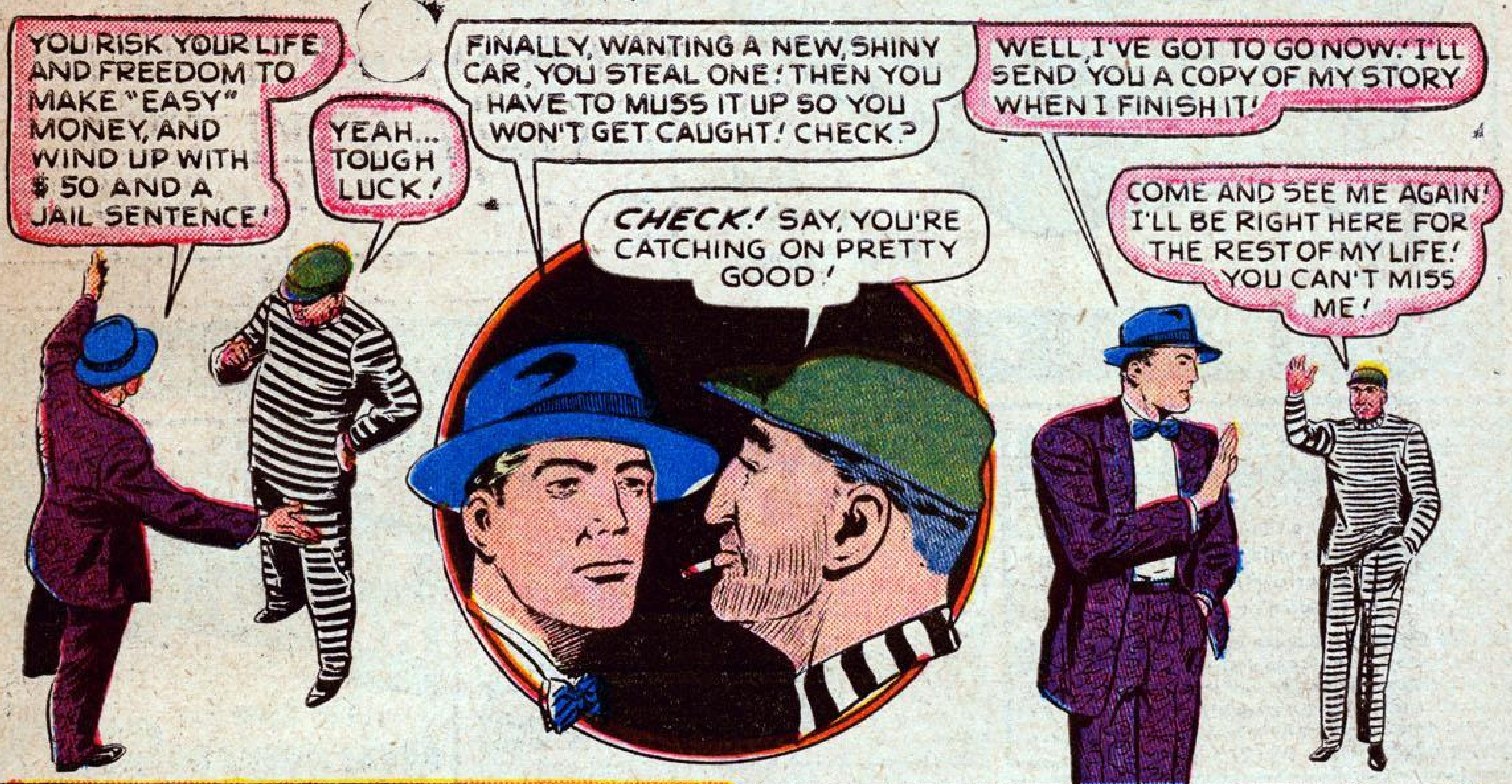
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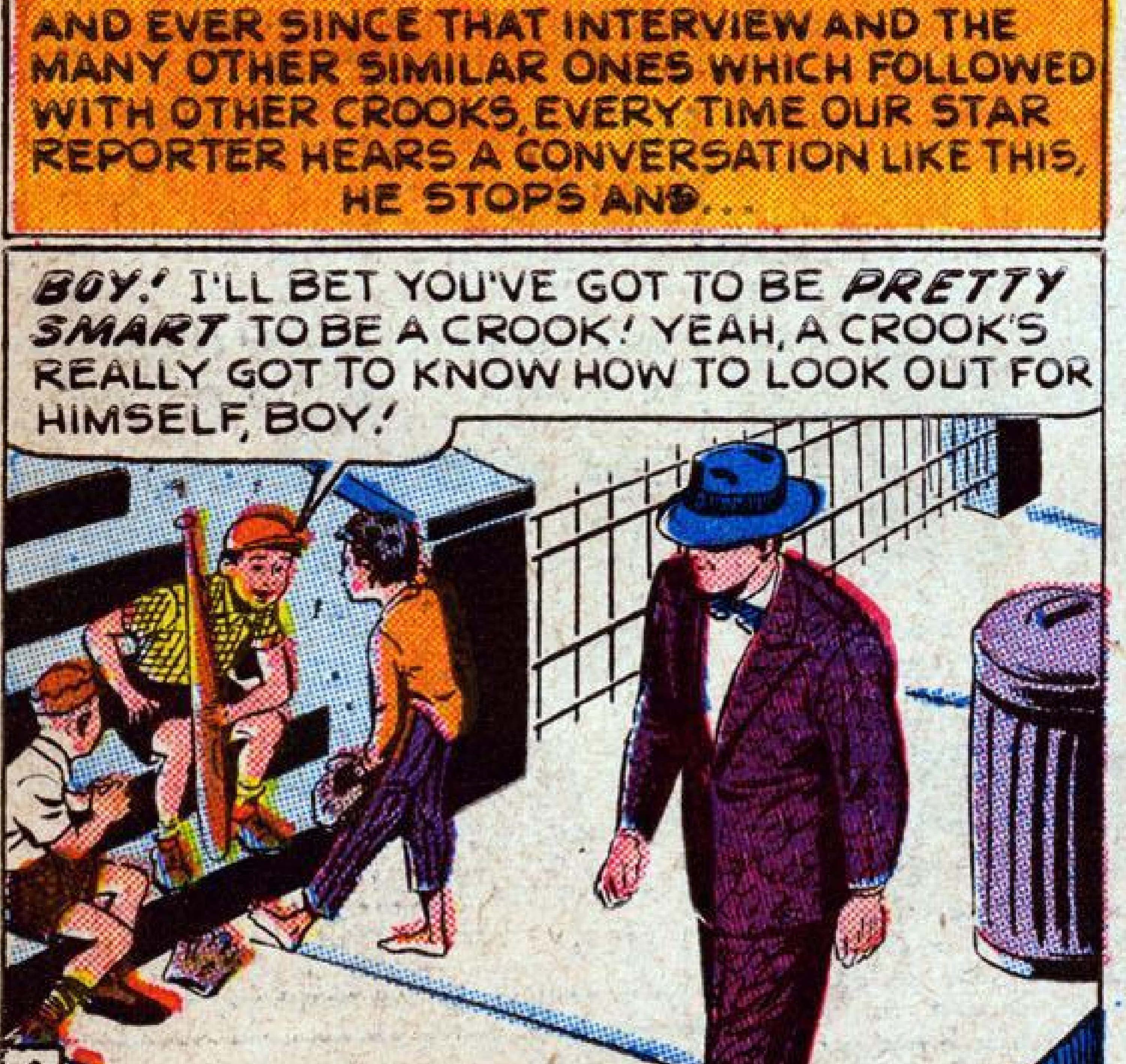
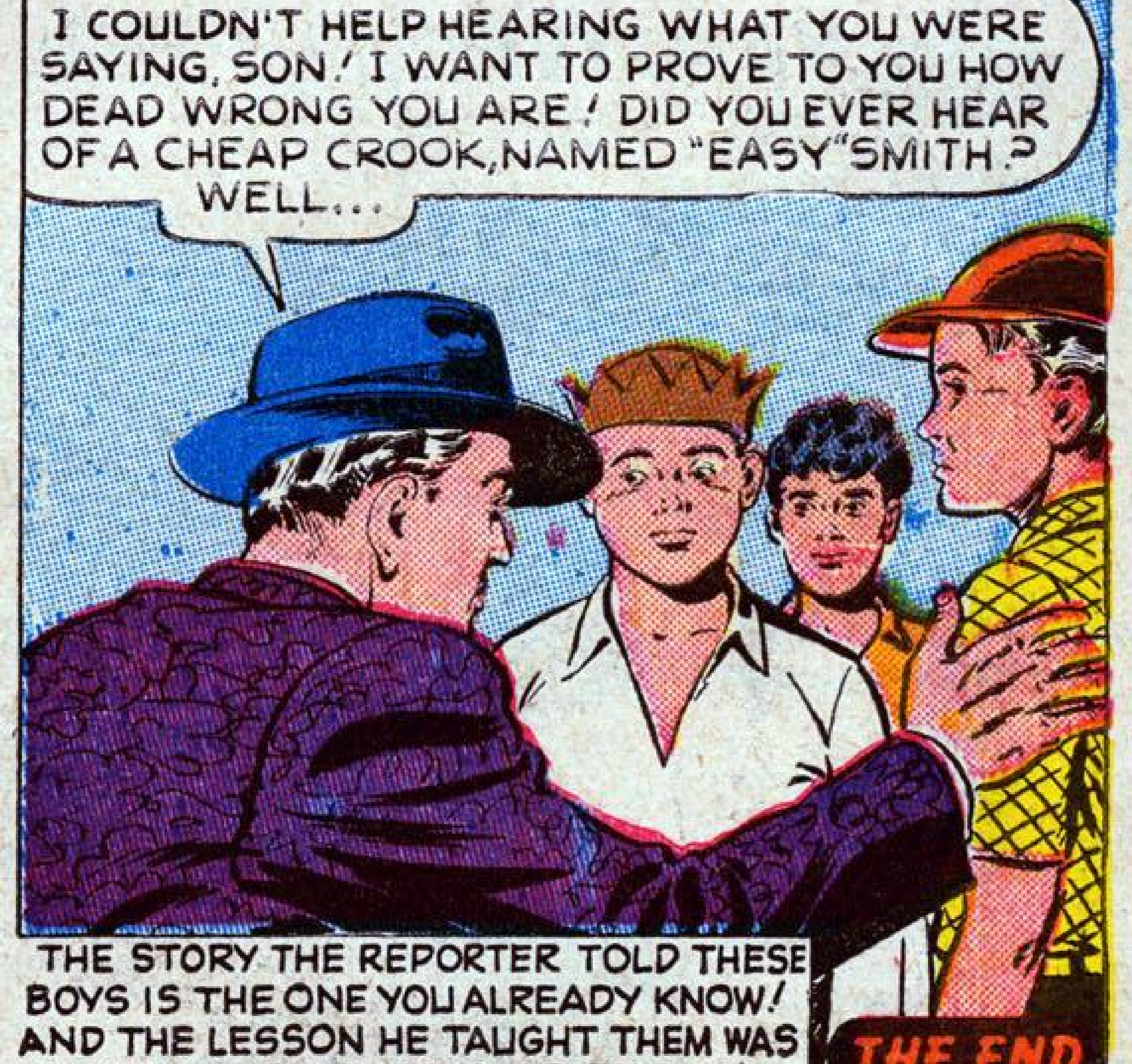

AND EVER SINCE THAT INTERVIEW AND THE MANY OTHER SIMILAR ONES WHICH FOLLOWED WITH OTHER CROOKS, EVERY TIME OUR STAR REPORTER HEARS A CONVERSATION LIKE THIS, HE STOPS AND...
BOY! I'LL BET YOU'VE GOT TO BE PRETTY SMART TO BE A CROOK! YEAH, A CROOK'S REALLY GOT TO KNOW HOW TO LOOK OUT FOR HIMSELF, BOY!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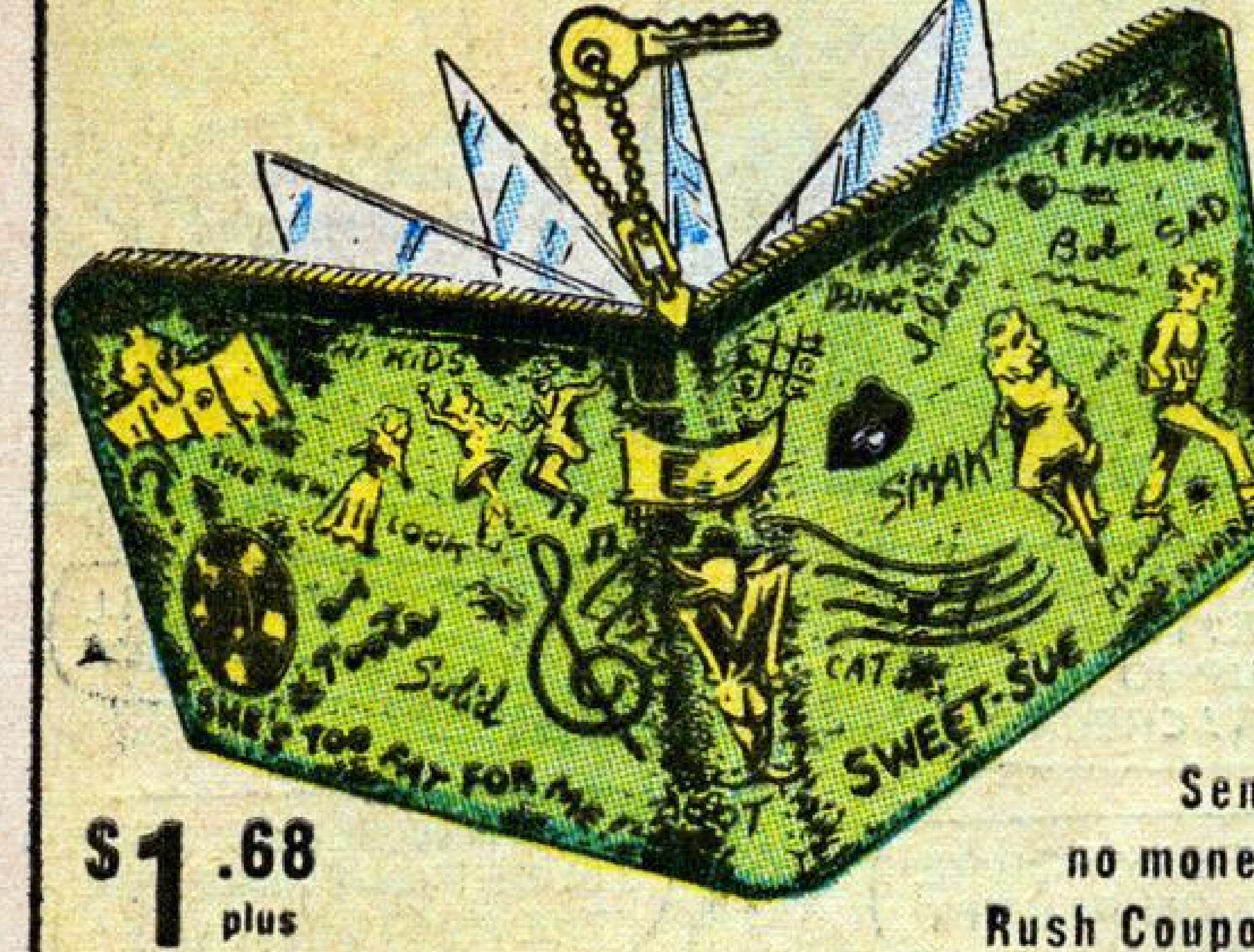

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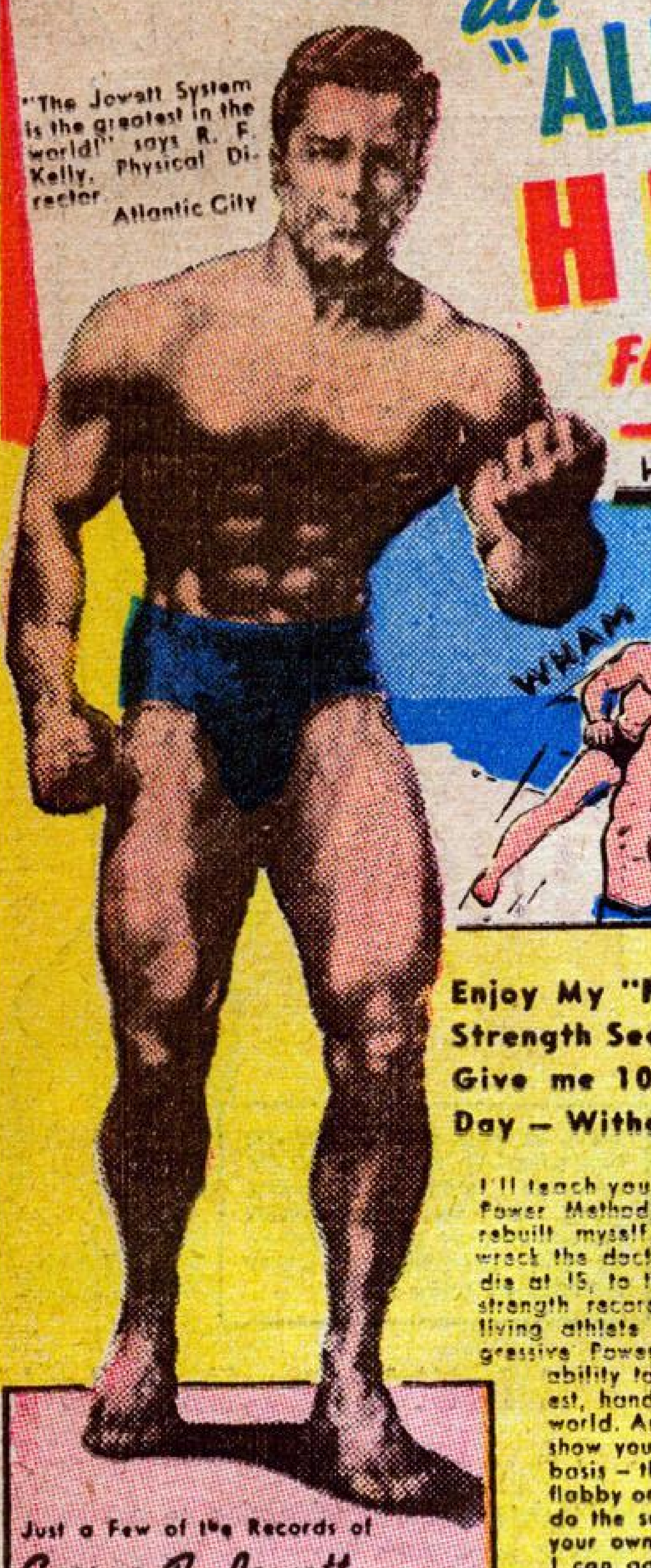

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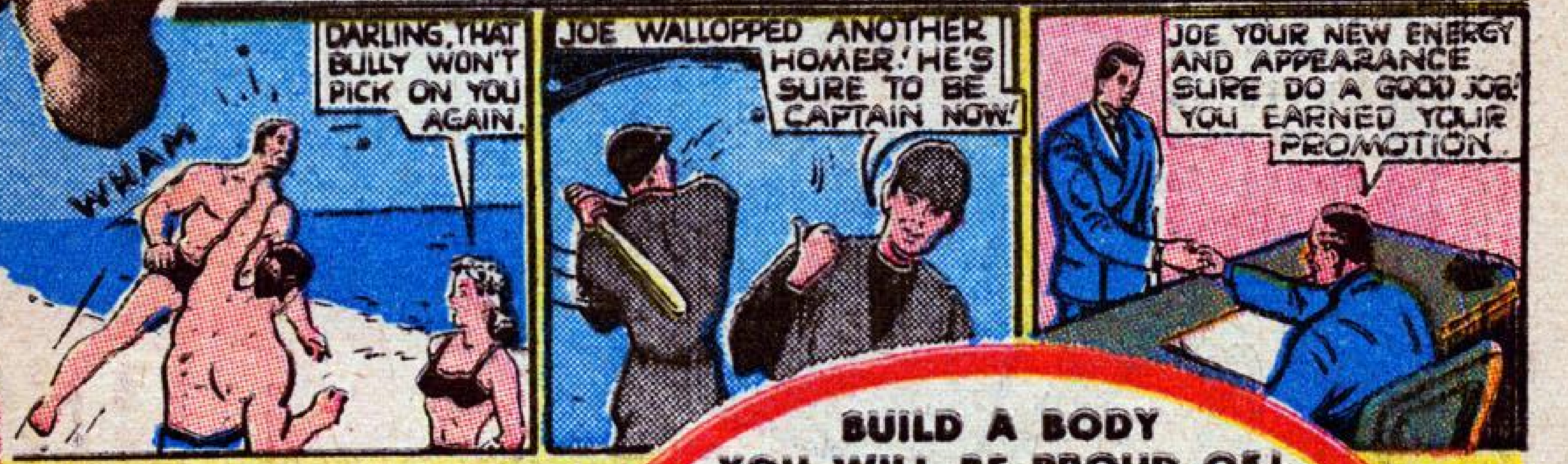
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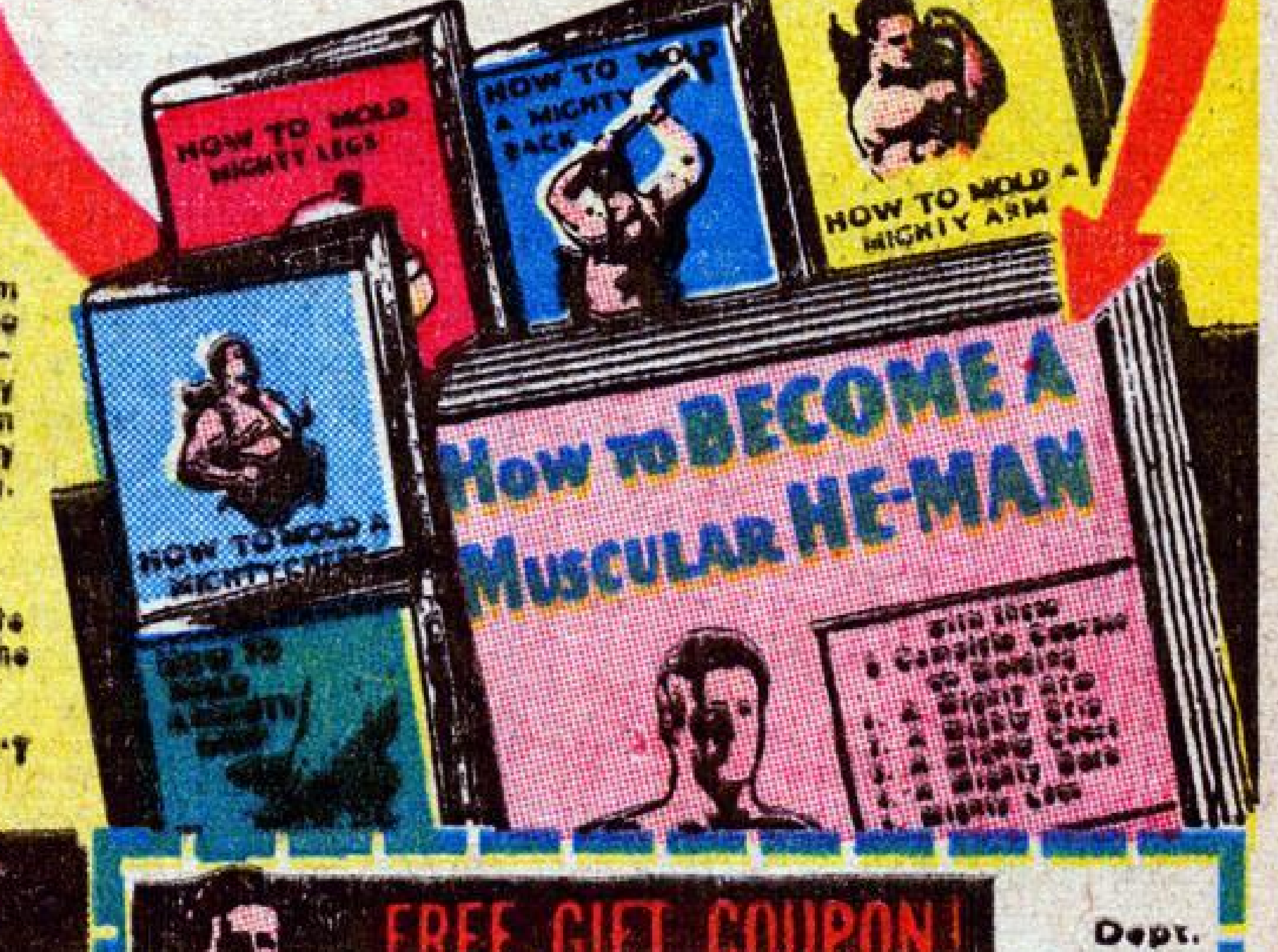
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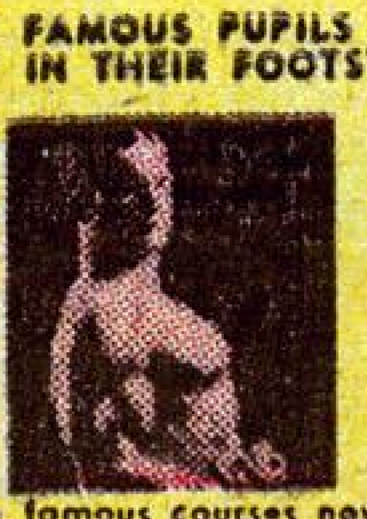

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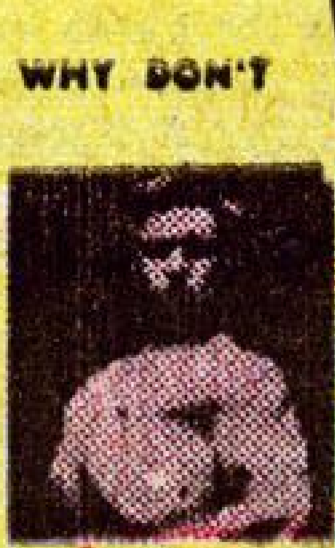

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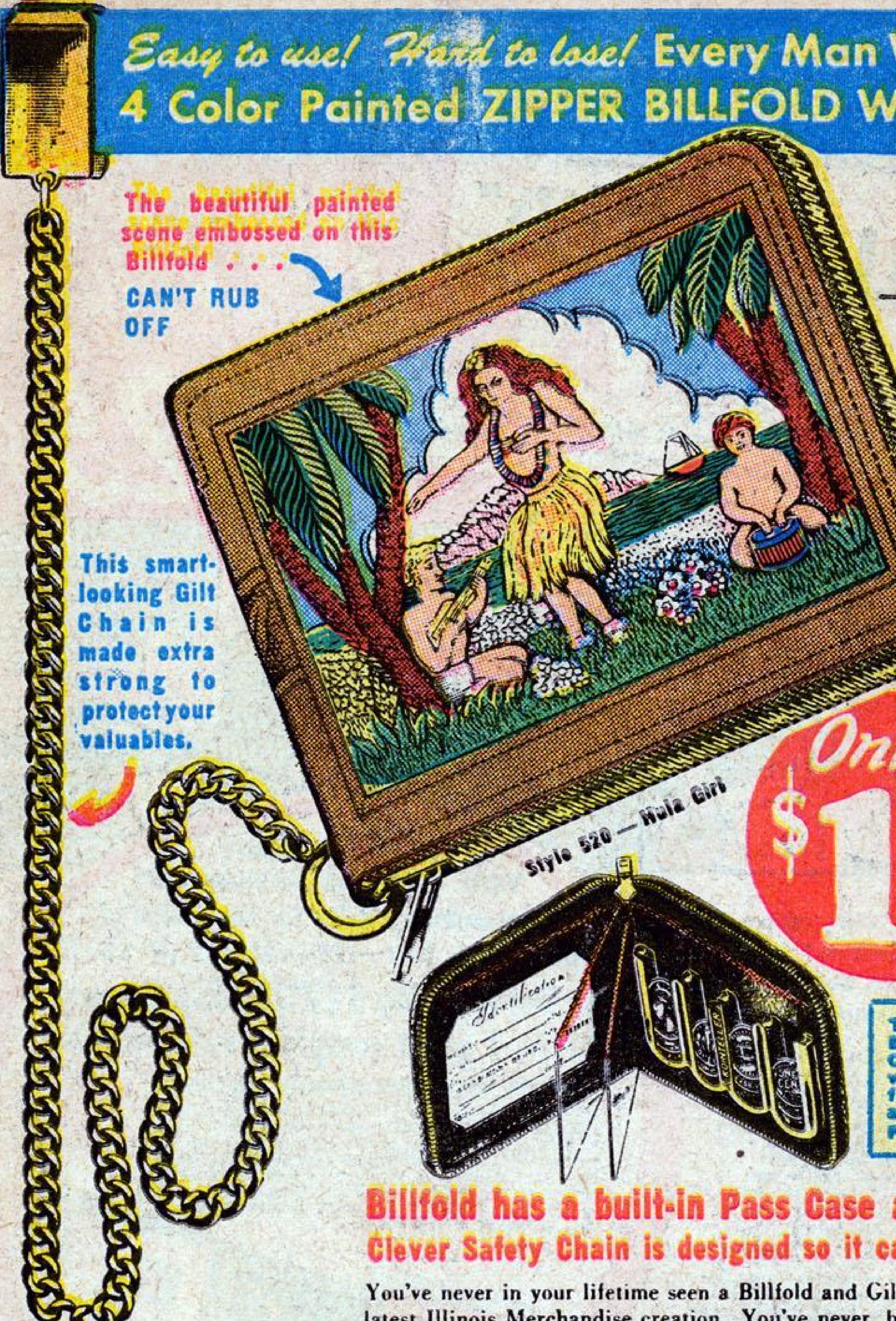

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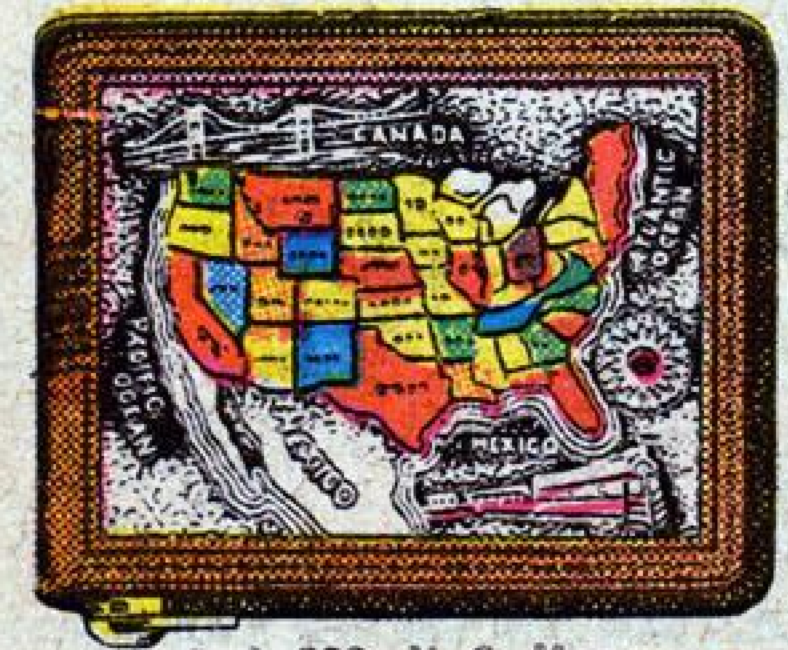

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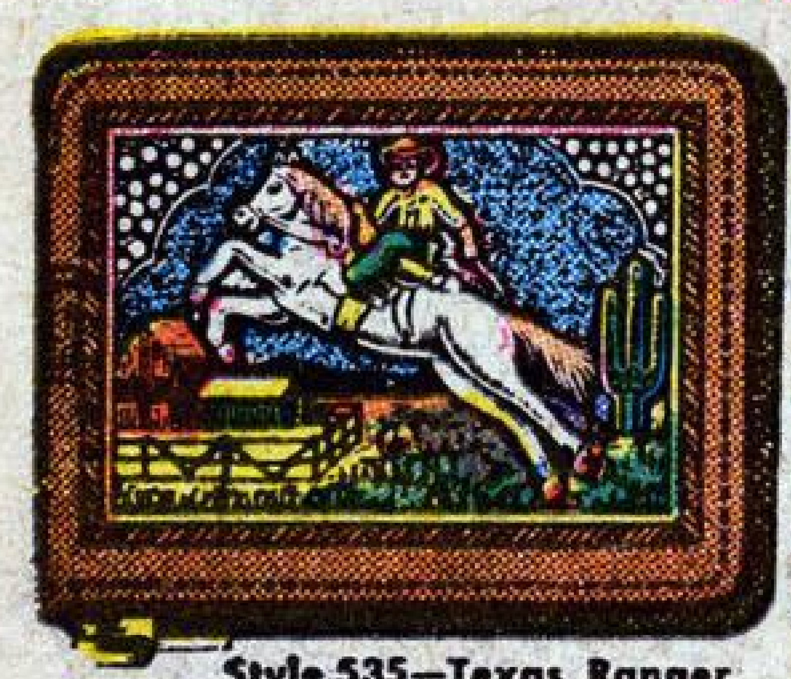

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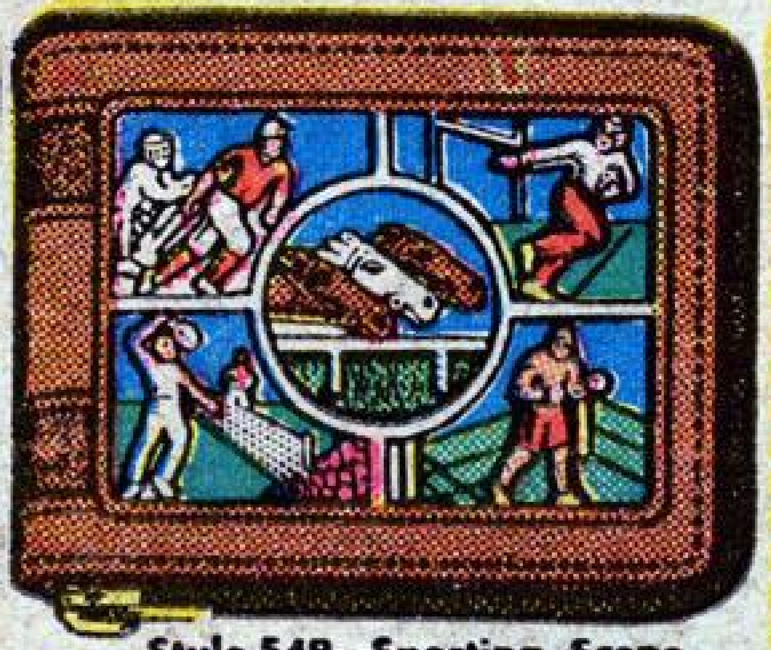

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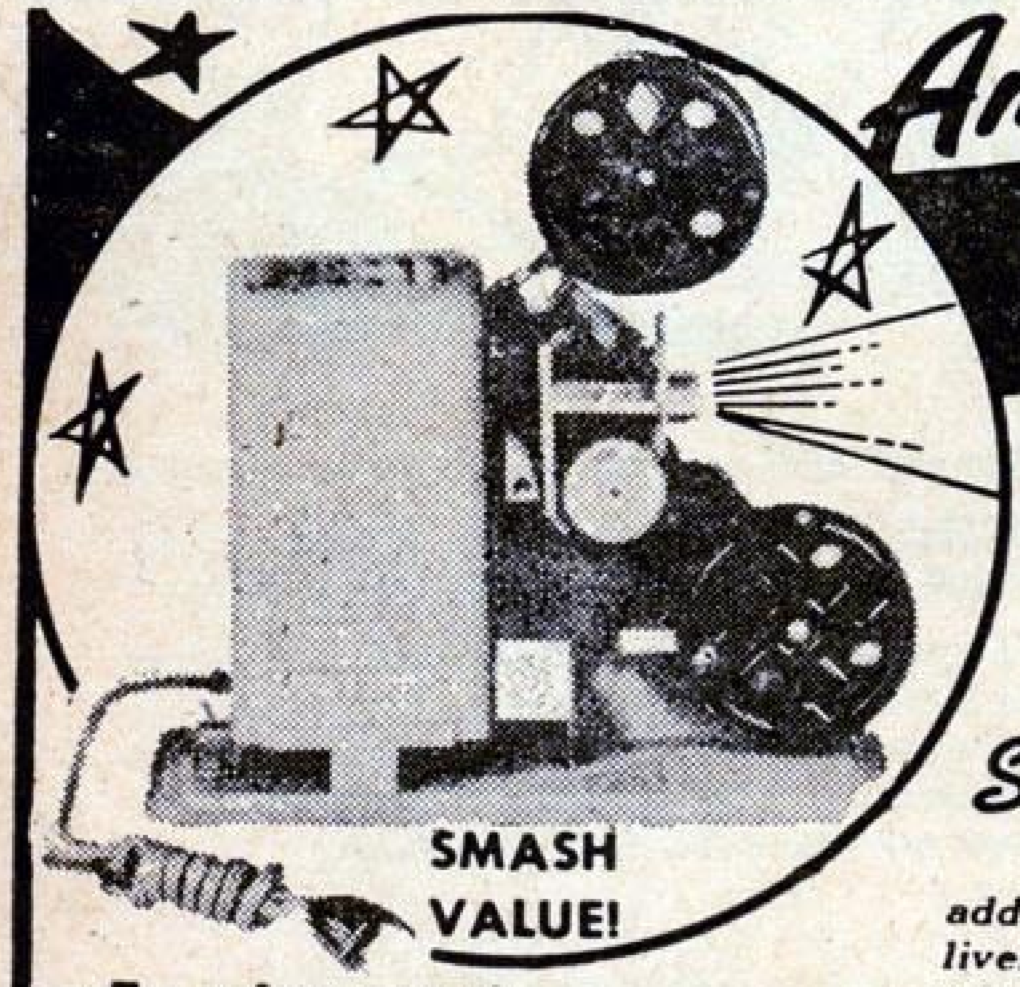

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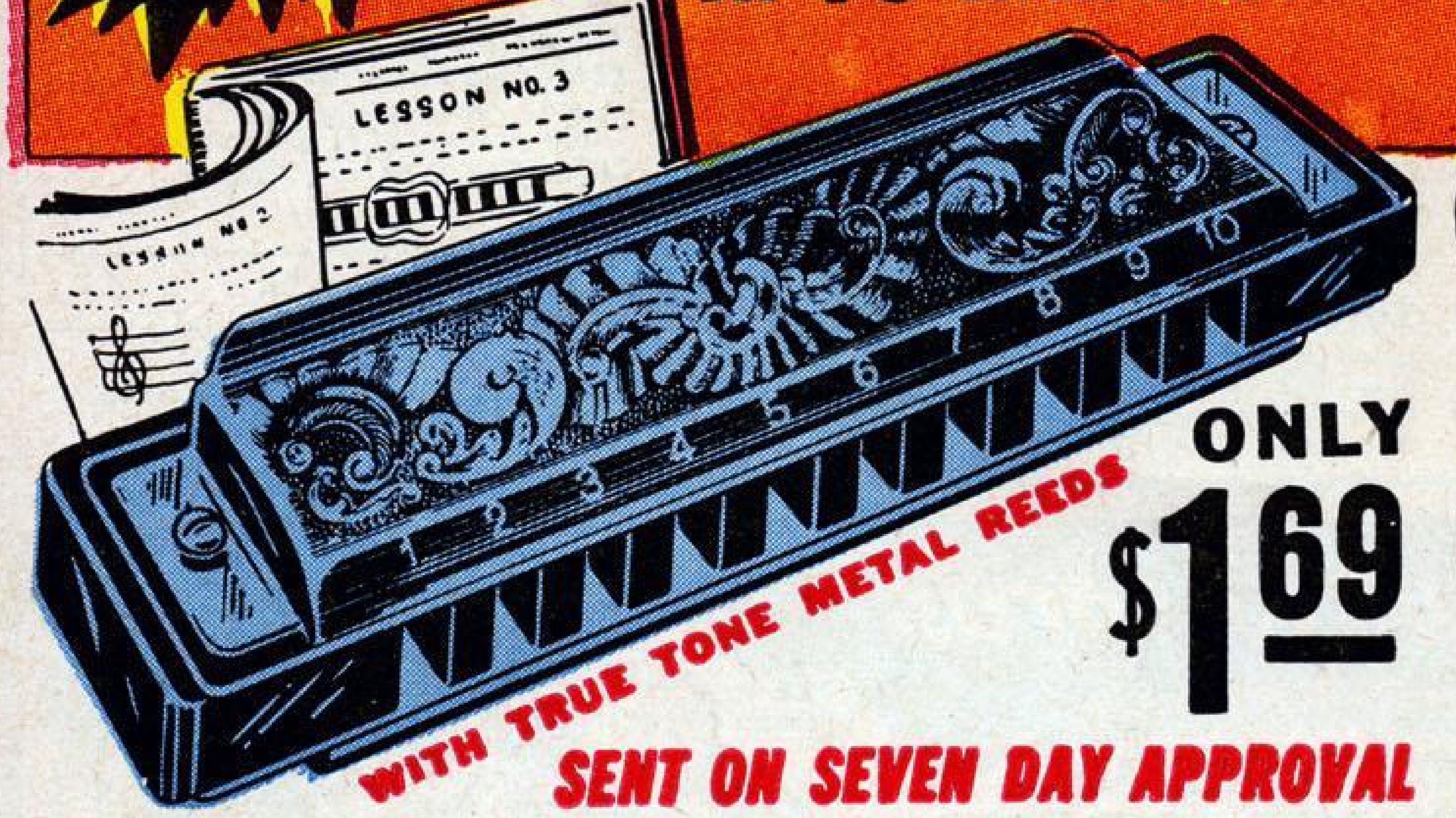
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